



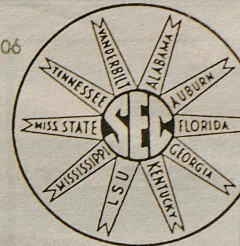
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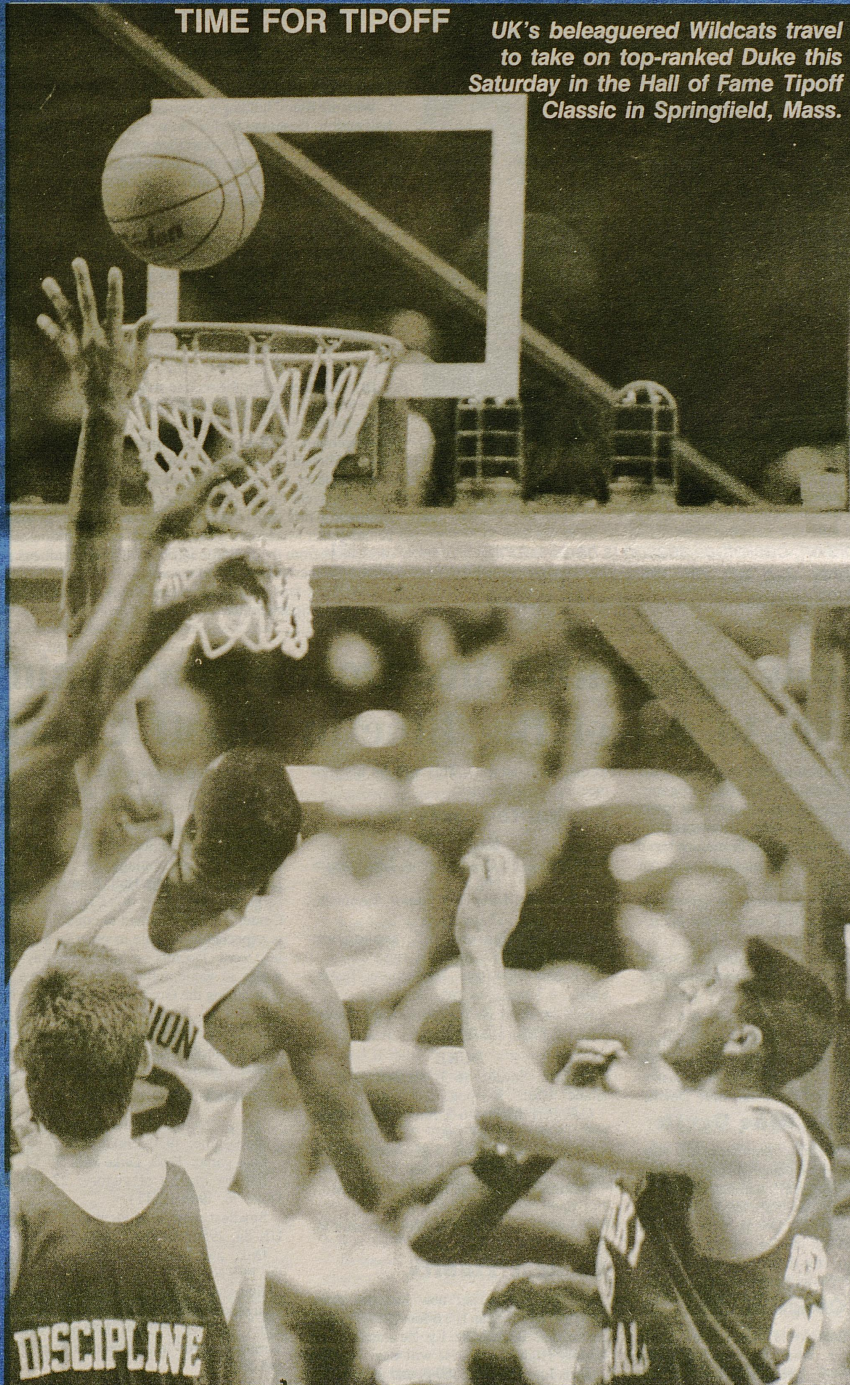
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UK's beleaguered Wildcats travel to take on top-ranked Duke this Saturday in the Hall of Fame Tipoff Classic in Springfield, Mass.



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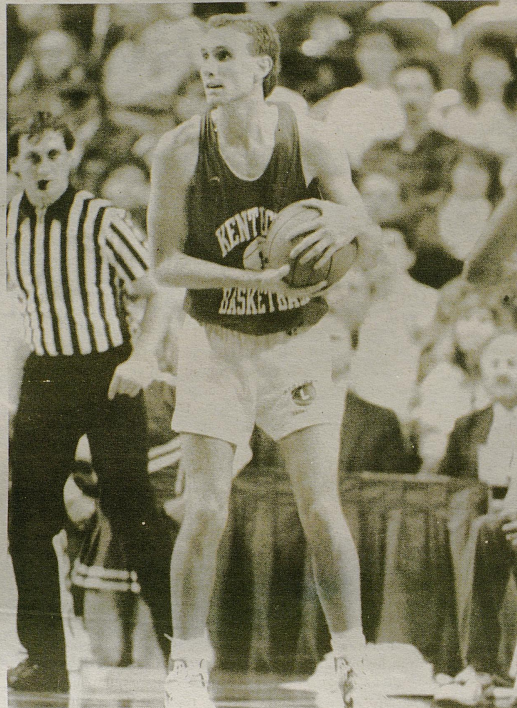
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YOUNG 'CATS PREPARE FOR NO. 1 DUKE



Hold on, basketball season is here!—John Pelphrey and his UK Wildcats open the 1988-89 season Saturday against No. 1 Duke

Blues get revenge; Ellis is the center of attention

Kentucky sophomore LeRon Ellis helped his Blue teammates revenge two earlier defeats as the Blues defeated the Whites in the final two Wildcat scrimmages.

In the Blues' 75-52 victory at Rupp Arena, Ellis turned in an outstanding performance. He ended the game with 39 points and 11 rebounds. Blue teammate Reggie Hanson hit on 10 of 12 shots and also two free throws for a 22-point evening.

Chris Mills led the Whites with 16 points, followed by Deron Feldhaus and Derrick Miller with 11 and 10 points, respectively.

With the Blues' holding a commanding lead during second-half action, freshman Richie Farmer treated the 7,962 Rupp Arena fans and his White teammates with three consecutive three-pointers. However, the Blues, paced by Ellis, proved to be too much for the Whites to handle.

Miller also had a fine evening from the bonus area. In UK's first three scrimmage the junior's long-range shooting touch returned. This night he connected on two of three bonus shots.

The Blues held a 33-24 lead at the intermission break.

Overall, the Blues connected on an encouraging 30-of-55 shots from the field for a 54.5 percentage. On the other hand, the Whites hit on only 22 of 55 shots for 40 percent.

The Blues benefited on 15 of 21 shots from the charity stripe, while the Whites took only four free throws, hitting three.

In Owensboro: For the second straight scrimmage LeRon Ellis ignited the Blues over the Whites, this time by a count of 59-56. Ellis hit on 13 of 23 shots from the field and grabbed seven rebounds. Other Blue players in double figures were Reggie Hanson (14 points, six of eight from the field) and John Pelphrey (10 points, four of six from the field).

Four players hit for double digits for the Whites, led by freshman Chris Mills (15 points, six of 10 from the field). Senior center Mike Scott turned in a fine outing, hitting seven of 11 shots from the field for 14 points. Deron Feldhaus and Richie Farmer scored 12 points each.

Only 3,012 fans attended the scrimmage at the 6,000-seat Owensboro Sportscenter.

Brassow signs with 'Cats; Duke overwhelming favorite to defeat Big Blue in Tipoff Classic

Despite all the controversy surrounding the University of Kentucky basketball program, recruit Jeff Brassow signed a letter of intent with the Wildcats. Brassow, who hails from Alief-Elsik High School in Texas, averaged 17.5 points, 8.5 rebounds and 4.4 assists per game as a junior.

Earlier last month when he announced his decision to come to UK he said the NCAA investigation did not "bother" him.

So far, Brassow is the first and only signee for the Wildcats during the November period.

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Following a long and often controversial summer, the young Kentucky Wildcats are anxious to tip off the 1988-89 college basketball season against the Duke Blue Devils.

About the Blue Devils

Duke, a Final Four team from last year, has been picked by many as the preseason favorite to win this year's national championship. . . The Blue Devils are led by preseason All-America selection Danny Ferry, a senior who led Duke last year in scoring (19.1), rebounding (7.6), free throw percentage (82.8), blocked shots (24) and minutes played (32.5).

About Coach K

Mike Krzyzewski is entering his ninth season at Duke, where he has compiled a record of 174-84. . . His overall record as a head coach is 247-143, which includes five years at Army before Duke. . . "Coach K" has led Duke to the NCAA's Final Four twice and

to the finals once. . . This will be his first meeting with Kentucky.

Probable starters

KENTUCKY

G-Chris Mills (6-7 freshman, Los Angeles 33.0 ppg., 13.1 ppg.)

G-Derrick Miller (6-5, Junior, Savannah, Ga., 1.3 ppg., .7 rpg.)

F-Reggie Hanson (6-7, sophomore, Somerset, Ky., 1.3 avg., 1.1 rpg.)

F-LeRon Ellis (6-10, Sophomore, Tustin, Calif., 4.3 ppg., 3.0 rpg.)

C-Mike Scott (6-11 Senior, South Shore, Ky., 1.3 ppg., 1.3 rpg.)

DUKE

G-Quin Snyder (6-3, Senior, Mercer Island, Wash., 8.3 ppg., 2.5 rpg.)

G-Robert Brickey (6-5, Junior, Fayetteville, N.C., 10.5 ppg., 5.1 rpg.)

F-Greg Koubek (6-6, Sophomore, Clifton Park, N.Y., 3.9 rpg., 2.2 rpg.)

F-Danny Ferry (6-10, Senior, Bowie, Md., 19.1 ppg., 7.6 rpg.)

C-Alaa Abdelnaby (6-10, Jr., Bloomfield, N.J., 4.9 ppg., 2.0 rpg.)

Wildcat Tidbits

➤ Kentucky's roster now includes three walkons. Jeff Ginnan is a 6-foot-8, 200-pound center from Beattyville, Ky. He attended Lee County High School. He will wear No. 44.

➤ Chris Jones is a 6-3, 180-pound junior from Russell High School in Russell, Ky. He will wear No. 21. . . Anthony Mathis rounds out the walk-on list. He is a 6-0, 150-pound

sophomore from Louisville's Jeffersonstown High School. Mathis will wear No. 10.

➤ Kentucky will be without the services of point guard Sean Sutton, who suffered a broken right cheekbone in the Wildcats' first Blue-White scrimmage on Nov. 1 at Louisville's Freedom Hall. Sutton underwent surgery on Nov. 5 at UK's Chandler Medical Center. He has returned to conditioning and is expected to be able to practice sometime next week. Doctors say Sutton possibly could return to game action with protective face gear during the Great Alaska Shootout, Nov. 25-28.

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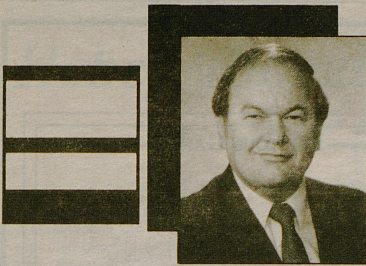
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CATS' PAUSE EDITOR/PUBLISHER

Infamous boot dropped at Cliff Hagan's doorstep?

Just like the Wildcat football team, things just seem to get worse and worse for the athletics department at the University of Kentucky.

Good fortunes appeared to be going Kentucky's way in the early going last Saturday as the Wildcats took charge of a 6-0 halftime lead over Florida only to be overhauled 24-19 and be denied an invitation to the All American Bowl in Birmingham.

It's been about the same way around the UK basketball program over the last few weeks, but the big shoe to drop apparently fell at the doorstep of athletics director Cliff Hagan.

Numerous media reports last week had UK president David Roselle on the verge of replacing Hagan, probably early this week according to several unnamed sources.

Both Roselle and Hagan confirmed the two had a meeting Nov. 3 at which time Roselle expressed displeasure with Hagan's performance. The session reportedly lasted some two hours.

However, Hagan denies Roselle asked for his resignation and Hagan told reporters last week he had no plans to resign and will not. Roselle, through university spokesman Bernie Vonderheide, said late last week that no decision had been made on any athletics personnel.

But there was no definitive denial of the rumors swirling around Hagan and the university spokesman added fuel to the rumors by reminding reporters of one of the NCAA allegations which said the university had lacked proper institutional control within the athletics department, an obvious finger-pointing move toward Hagan.

Insiders also insist Joe Burch, a long-time UK employee who is an attorney and has been involved in UK's in-house NCAA investigation, will be appointed as the interim athletics director if Hagan is removed.

Speculation has it that the axe will continue to swing within the athletics department in general and the basketball office in particular.

One theory has as many as a dozen or more employees could either be dismissed or transferred outside of athletics to other campus locations. Roselle has repeatedly refused to speculate on if or when any personnel changes might occur.

Some are seeing the Hagan issue as the university's first move toward showing the NCAA that UK is not only interested but sincere in making major changes within the department.

There are those who say the NCAA has a history of being "kind" to schools being investigated if they show remorse and a determination to correct their own house before any penalty has been handed down by its infractions committee. Those schools who act after penalties have been made usually receive little leniency.

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The news of Hagan's alleged ouster

came as a shock to many around the athletics department, particularly to those around the basketball office where there obviously has been great concern.

Some have privately confided that they believed that everyone's job was safe, at least until April when the university took no action by Oct. 15 (first day of official practice).

The rationale had it that Dr. Roselle would not take any action once the season began, and that if he did want to make changes, he would have done so before practice actually started on Oct. 15. Now, those employees aren't so sure.

Reaction to the Hagan controversy has been swift and mixed. Hagan, despite his contributions to the university as both a player and administrator, has not been one of the most popular UK figures with the public over the past decade.

Some people say he is aloof. However, most of the criticism comes from football fans who believe he could have done more to build a winning football program. They argue he's just not as interested in the success of football as he is basketball because he is a "basketball AD." While such philosophy is completely false, the theory has attracted more followers than not over the years. Not all football people subscribe to the theory, but most do.

On the other hand, Hagan is very popular with most of the coaches of other sports on campus. Those coaches, as well as Hagan, point to the success of minor sports on campus and its first division finish in the SEC all-sports race this past season despite its very limited budget as compared to most other schools.

Regardless, Hagan's days apparently are numbered as athletics director at UK. Rumors persist that Roselle will offer Hagan another position on campus.

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Just why is Hagan being fired?

Well, the issue of proper institutional control has been referred to more than once by Roselle's spokesman. Which leads us to believe UK is ready to admit some guilt to the NCAA or there would be no lack of institutional control. Right?

And if there is guilt, someone besides Hagan must most assuredly be next. After all, Hagan has been accused of not a single NCAA rules violation himself, other than the institutional control issue.

Can we expect other resignations or firings in the next few days?

There are two theories, but they depend on just when UK will respond to the NCAA charges and when UK will appear before the NCAA infractions committee.

Kentucky is supposed to respond to the charges by Dec. 12, a date we're told will be met by the university. However, UK could respond to the NCAA earlier than that if it wanted to. If UK waits until Dec. 12, the first regularly scheduled infractions committee meeting after that would be in February.

If UK would like to show the NCAA it is

making changes from within without the coercion of the NCAA, it would have to do so before the infraction committee meets. The theory of removing Hagan now is a part of that theory.

But would Hagan's scalp be enough to sway the committee to go lightly? Many observers, and some coaches, attending the SEC Media Days in Atlanta last week didn't think so.

They believe only changes on the basketball staff would bring a lighter sentence from the NCAA if the NCAA should find UK guilty of any major infractions.

For Roselle to remove basketball coaches then, he would have to either dismiss them during the middle of the season or now before the season begins and the 'Cats tip off the season Saturday in Springfield.

The other theory is that Roselle will wait until after the NCAA renders its finding, agreeing with the argument that it would not be proper to fire anyone until they had due process before the NCAA. The only problem with that is the fact that Hagan was not afforded like treatment.

Waiting until February or April could also be a financial concern according to some. There is a clause in Eddie Sutton's contract which says the university can tear up his contract if the basketball program should be placed on probation by the NCAA, but it's a catch 22 clause. Which comes first, the firing or the probation? In other words, could UK fire Sutton before the actual probation without having to pay off Sutton's contract which runs out in 1990?

If that should come to pass, it has the potential to be even more costly.

Using as an example the Kansas situation, it's obvious the Jayhawks received a lighter sentence by the fact the old coaching staff was gone and the university cooperated and did not appeal the decision.

If UK could present its case and strike a deal within the next couple weeks, it's possible UK could receive a settlement similar to Kansas'.

On the other hand, if the NCAA should hand down its decision in March or April, any penalties would begin next season and not this one.

Should a two-year ban on post season tournaments be announced next spring by the NCAA and they were to apply against the 1989-90 and 1990-91 seasons, then Kentucky most certainly would be headed down the same road SMU and Florida are traveling in football. UK just might become the UCLA of the East.

Translation:

First of all, Kentucky would most likely not be able to recruit any blue-chip player for three years, or until UK came off probation. Without recruiting, you have no talent.

And let's take a look at the roster. If, and I repeat if, UK should be penalized two years, the roster next season would

probably be waxed down to just a handful of players: John Pelphrey, Johnathon Davis, Deron Feldhaus, Richie Farmer, Jeff Brassow, Sean Woods (if he gets his grades up this season), some in-state players and whatever walk-ons could be lured onto the floor.

Explanation is in order you say?

First of all, any player on a team which is prohibited from playing in postseason play can transfer and play immediately at any other NCAA school if that particular player's class should graduate before the tournament ban is lifted. In other words, both LeRon Ellis and Derrick Miller would have to transfer if they wanted to play in a postseason tournament. If Ellis chose to, being a junior next season, he could redshirt one of the two years and hang around for a third to play in a tournament. However, that would hinge upon UK being good enough to win a tournament spot.

If Eddie Sutton should leave UK, it's hard to believe his son, Sean, would hang around UK. The young kid would be under unbearable pressure and undue criticism by opponents' fans and some Kentucky fans as well. He certainly deserves better.

And don't look for Eric Manuel to be back. Fans and coaches are optimistic but, unless he is cleared by the ACT people, the odds are good Eric will transfer.

As far as the NCAA is concerned Manuel could regain his eligibility by sitting out the year he gained last season. That is being done now. Sutton has said Manuel will play the day Eric is cleared this season and that there would be no chance he would be redshirted if he is cleared.

On the other hand, Roselle has given every indication that the school's integrity is far more important than a game of basketball. If Manuel's passing test score is not upheld, don't look for him to be around. And Chris Mills' UK future hinges almost directly on the NCAA's findings of that infamous Emery Worldwide Freight package.

With that in mind, just take another peep at the roster for this year and then what appears to be the roll-call for the next two seasons and you could be looking at the makings of a, well, we'd rather not talk about the possibilities of three straight seasons of more losses than victories.

And that's just what UK might face unless the university acts very quickly in working out a deal with the NCAA or being able to convince the NCAA the major charges against the basketball program are unfounded.

I personally don't like the odds of such a battle.

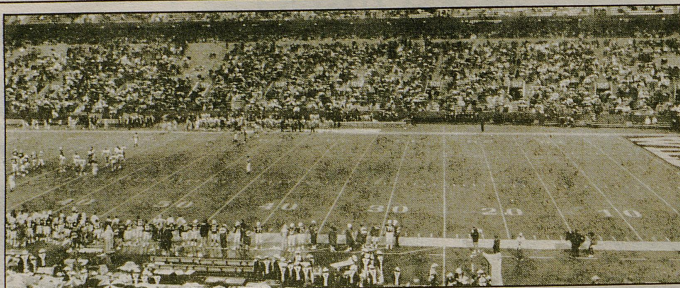
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Kentucky's loss to Florida was another difficult one to swallow, but not unlike others UK fans have endured over the

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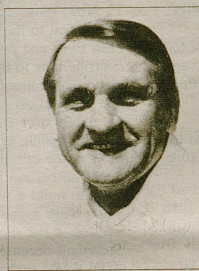


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- Oct. 2: Volleyball—UK def. Auburn 15-8, 15-11, 15-11
- Oct. 5: Volleyball—UK def. Tennessee 15-7, 13-15, 15-8, 16-14
- Oct. 8: Volleyball—Notre Dame def. UK 15-13, 12-15, 15-9, 16-14
- Oct. 9: Volleyball—UK def. Memphis St. 15-3, 15-5, 15-12
- Oct. 14: Volleyball—Texas def. UK 15-11, 15-7, 15-13
- Oct. 15: Football—LSU def. UK 15-12
- Oct. 15: Volleyball—UK def. Texas A&M 15-4, 18-16, 15-12
- Oct. 18: Volleyball—UK def. Louisville 15-2, 20-18, 15-6
- Oct. 20: Volleyball—UK def. Miss. St. 15-3, 15-9, 15-7
- Oct. 22: Football—UK def. Georgia 16-10
- Oct. 22: Volleyball—UK def. Ole Miss 15-2, 15-6, 15-10
- Oct. 28: Volleyball—Illinois def. UK 15-13, 16-14, 16-14
- Oct. 29: Football—UK def. Southern Illinois 24-10
- Oct. 29: Volleyball—Texas def. UK 15-4, 13-15, 15-12, 15-8
- Nov. 4: Volleyball—UK def. Florida 13-15, 13-15, 15-11, 15-11, 15-6
- Nov. 5: Football—UK def. Vanderbilt 14-13
- Nov. 11: Volleyball—UK def. Wisconsin 15-12, 15-8, 15-5
- Nov. 12: Football—Florida def. UK 24-19
- Nov. 12: Volleyball—Florida State def. UK 10-15, 14-16, 15-13, 12-15



Jerry Claiborne



Eddie Sutton

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(Nine-game totals)



DEFENSE	G/GS	UT	AT	TY	QB SACK/-YRDS	TL/-YRDS	FF	PUMREC	BLOCK	MISC-TD	PD	INT	SAFETY
Randy Holleran	10/10	92	53	145	2/-13	3/-14	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
Chris Chenault	10/10	56	54	110	0/0	3/-3	0	5	0	0	2	1	0
Vic Adams	10/5	49	47	87	1/-4	5/-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Toby Massey	10/10	58	27	55	2/-21	7/-38	4	2	0	0	3	1	0
Jay Dortch	10/10	43	38	91	3/-13	3/-13	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Oliver Barnett	10/10	62	11	79	9/-50	15/-51	6	0	0	0	4	0	1
Craig Benninger	10/0	24	37	71	1/-12	3/-14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ron Robinson	9/9	35	34	59	0/0	2/-2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Donnie Gardner	10/6	38	20	58	2/-16	6/-24	0	2	0	0	0	1	0
Jerry Bell	8/4	20	26	45	1/-4	3/-9	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Doug Houser	10/4	25	16	41	2/-7	3/-9	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Mike Meiners	10/5	10	27	37	0/0	0/0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
David Johnson	10/10	25	10	35	0/0	0/0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Chris Tolbert	10/10	22	11	33	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Mike Chisz	10/0	15	18	33	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Mark Sellers	8/0	13	19	32	0/0	0/0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Albert Burks	10/0	10	9	19	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Joey Couch	9/0	10	9	19	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Tony Missick	10/0	8	9	17	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tony Ligan	10/0	6	6	12	1/-6	1/-6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Jeff Brady	10/0	5	6	11	0/0	0/0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ron Mack	8/0	5	3	8	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Billy Swanson	10/0	2	5	7	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jay Anshoff	7/0	3	3	6	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Derrick Thomas	3/0	1	1	4	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scott Booth	3/0	1	1	2	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jim Graves	9/0	1	1	2	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Todd Meyer	2/0	1	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ray Gover	10/0	1	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kentucky	15/10	544	501	1145	24/-151	58/-223	15	16	1	1	19	10	1
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Hobey Thomas, former UK gridder, passes away

Mourning for UK basketballer Bob Fowler, too

The gridiron file of Hobart Barton "Hobey" Thomas, who died of a heart attack Sept. 30 in Kingston, Tenn., after officiating a high school football game, has been resting in near obscurity for the past four decades in the



Russell Rice

Cats' Pause Columnist

University of Kentucky athletic archives, but the mark he left on the youth of the town where he spent the past 35 years serves as a living testimonial of a life well spent.

In summing up the extra-curricular activities of this former Wildcat who worked in the lab of the Martin-Marietta plant in Oak Ridge, Tony Harrison, sports editor of the *Roane County (Tenn.) News*, noted that Hobey was instrumental in starting Little League, girls' softball and the Roane County Youth Bowling Association. He also was involved in the Punt, Pass and Kick program, the Elks' Hoop Shoot and the Elks' Scholarship Program. In 1986, he was recognized as the Anakusa Women's Club's "Outstanding Citizen."

When he died, Hobey was in his 36th year as a TSSAA official. He officiated football basketball, baseball and softball, but decided to retire from basketball and baseball in 1980. He also worked the Ohio Valley Conference for approximately five years.

He was so well-known that Meadowlark Lemon asked him to officiate the Harlem Magicians basketball games. He declined the offer to travel with the team.

THE ITALICIZED WORDS of the UK Fight Song lead off Harrison's full-page spread on Hobey, who never forgot his UK ties. Among other things, he recruited Vic King (1967, '68) out of Kingston for Charlie Bradshaw.

According to his family, he never missed a Kentucky-Tennessee football game. His wife Mary said he drove back from a UK game for the birth of their son John, but then went right back. She also remembers driving 13 hours in the snow to a game. (If you think that sounds ridiculous, you should have made the trip to Knoxville 1950).

□Hobey came to Lexington from Beaver Falls, Pa., hometown of football's famed Joe Namath, in 1944 and lettered as a freshman halfback under the late A.D. Kirwan, a former Wildcat grid star who later would become president of the university.

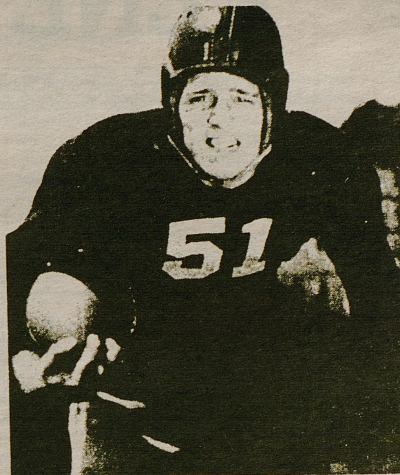
With World War II winding down, the Wildcats, along with most other teams, were returning to the football field after a one-year absence and their eternally optimistic fans were expecting their "greatest team in years."

Those Sugar Bowl visions dancing in the heads of the Wildcat faithful came from the heart, not the intellect, since the 'Cats had closed the 1942 season with a 3-6-1 record, which included a season-ending 26-0 loss to Tennessee, and the 1944 schedule included such powers as Ole Miss, Michigan State, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi State and two games with the Volunteers.

After bowing to Ole Miss 27-7 in the home opener, the Wildcats headed South with what the *Lexington Herald* apparently unrealistically described as "the best 'Cat team in years to invade Knoxville."

With Lake City flooded, the start-stop-back up-and-go train ride took 30 hours, but the Wildcats arrived in high spirits.

THEY GOT A SPECTACULAR 65-yard broken-field touchdown run from Jim Parrott and a 42-yard scoring scamper from Norm Klein the following afternoon, but came up on the short end of a 26-13 score. Here's how



The late Hobey Thomas, who lettered at UK in 1944.

Henry Hornsby summed up the game in *The Herald-Leader*:

"Leading the Orange horde was the backfield trio of (Bruce) Stephens, (Casey) Stephenson and (Joe) Steffy, who teamed with Russell Morrow, a 6-foot-7 Vol center who entered the game as a substitute, and played havoc with the Wildcats by kicking, passing, blocking and running all over Shields-Watkins Field.

"But the Wildcats were not without their brilliant performers. Norman 'Nick' Klein of Louisville; quarterback Bill Chambers of Huntington, W.Va.; Hobie Thomas of Sharon, Pa., and Jim Parrott of Springfield."

Entering the final game of the season, the Wildcats were 3-5 while the Volunteers were 6-0-1 and assured a Rose Bowl bid if they were victorious in Lexington.

John Barnhill's powerhouse scored two touchdowns on line plunges and another as a result of a blocked punt

and a TD run by Buddy Pike for a 21-0 lead entering the fourth quarter. The 'Cats scored with 15 seconds left on an 11-yard pass from Chambers to Howe.

Hobey, a sometime starter earlier in the season, was not mentioned on the player participation list for that game. His football career later was ended by a shoulder separation.

□This week, we also light a candle for **Robert Lee "Bob" Fowler**, a thoroughbred-horse agent and a former Wildcat basketballer who collapsed during the recent fall meet at Keeneland and was pronounced dead at St. Joseph Hospital.

Fowler, a 6-4, 200-pound leaper, came to the university in 1975 from Dearborn Heights, Mich., where he was a four-year letter winner at Cherry Hill High. He averaged eight, 22, 25, and 28 points respectively and nine, 11, 16, and 19 rebounds as the Spartans were 62-18 during his career there.

Fowler lettered as a freshman for Joe B. Hall in 1975-76, playing in 25 of 30 games and averaging 3.6 points and 1.8 rebounds. He transferred to Iowa State after that year.

Personal note: While Bob was in Lexington, I was looking for a good color action shot to put on the cover of my second book, *Kentucky Basketball's Big Blue Machine*, which was due out before Christmas of 1976. After looking at hundreds of colored slides, I finally sent a select group to my publisher, who in turn chose one of a jump-shooting player wearing No. 44, and suggested that I "run it by" coach Hall.

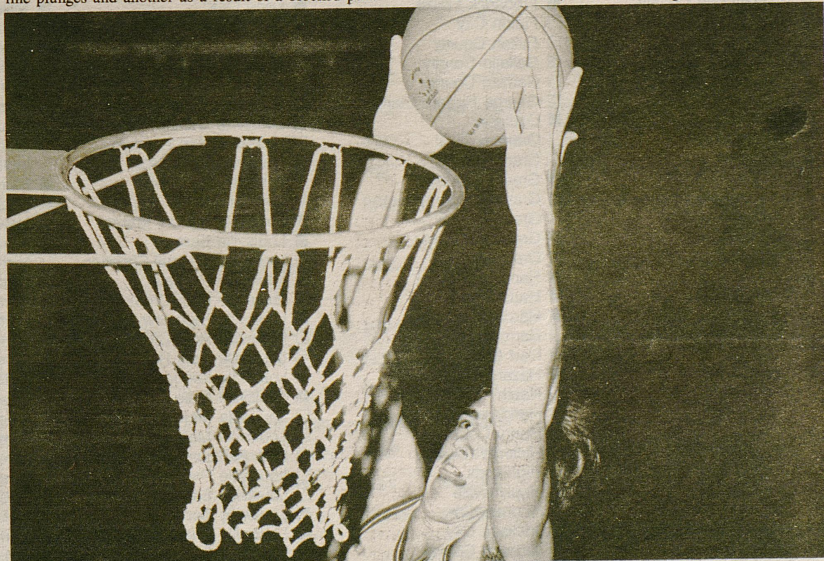
I intercepted Joe B. the following morning and showed him the slide as we walked down the hallway toward his office. Noting the No. 44, he said something like, "Dan Issel. Sure." I agreed and sent the slide back to the publisher.

The next time I saw that shot was when I opened my first package of books after student assistant Chuck Malkus and I picked up a station wagon-load in Nashville.

"Oh, no!" I exclaimed. "That's not Dan Issel. That's Bob Fowler."

Bob stopped by to see me a few years later and said: "Somebody told me that my picture is on the cover of one of your books. I couldn't believe it."

"Neither could I," I said, handing him a free copy.



To everyone's surprise, Bob Fowler became a cover boy

We feel that news about the sports programs at the University of Kentucky should be required reading for all of the state's high school students.

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Below, we have listed all the high schools in the state of Kentucky, and it is our aim to give every high school student in the commonwealth the opportunity to read The Cats' Pause by making the paper available to every high school library in the state.

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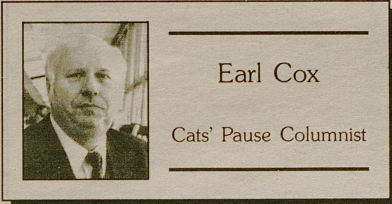
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Why doesn't Roselle demand resignations now?

UK president should talk to Rice, Newton

Now that the University of Kentucky has leaked the news that Cliff Hagan is history, can Eddie Sutton be far behind?
You'd better believe it!



Earl Cox

Cats' Pause Columnist

Sutton and the entire basketball staff are goners. Why doesn't President David Roselle demand a full round of resignations now? You've got me. I'm sure there are plenty of trustees who would pitch in to pay off Sutton's contract.

Jerry Claiborne is the name most often mentioned as Hagan's successor. I am of two minds about Claiborne. One, it would open up the head football coaching job for, probably, one of his staffers, most likely former Wildcat quarterback Jerry Eisaman. I think Cat fans could live with that. So that would be good.

But Claiborne as director of athletics worries me. The man simply isn't qualified. The modern director of athletics must be a public relations expert and a financial wizard. I don't think Jerry is either. But Roselle likes him because he is clean. So are a lot of Sunday school teachers, but most of them aren't qualified to be director of athletics any more than Claiborne is.

I wish Roselle would do one of two things:

1. Persuade Dr. Homer Rice, the director of athletics/assistant to the president at Georgia Tech, to come home and take over the athletic department. Rice has run clean, winning programs at two institutions the caliber of which Roselle aspires for UK, North Carolina and Georgia Tech. He is no stranger to Lexington, having served as assistant head coach under Charlie Bradshaw. He is a former head coach of the Cincinnati Bengals.

2. Appeal to C.M. Newton to become both A.D. and head basketball coach. Let the Vanderbilt coach select a young assistant coach who could take over the basketball program in a few years. Newton, like Rice, is respected nationally. He is a former Wildcat basketball and baseball player.

It would cost a lot of money to get either Rice or Newton, but it would be worth the price. Either immediately would restore the university's basketball program to national respectability.

A LOT TO LOSE - Sutton has much more to lose than Hagan, probably about \$400,000 per year or more. Sports Illustrated reported two weeks ago that Nike is paying Sutton and North Carolina State's Jim Valvano \$160,000 per year each. His check from UK is relatively peanuts, but his radio, television and endorsement income is enormous.

HAGAN UPDATE - Most directors of athletics are in favor of a 12th football game. UK's position, said Hagan, does not favor an additional game, and he says that the presidents will not accept it at the

national convention.

SEC DUMB - Did you notice that Notre Dame nixed a Sugar Bowl date because the Southeastern Conference teams have so many losses? The Irish want to go where they can wrap up a national title.

Will the SEC learn from this? Probably not. The league has just gone to a mandatory seven-game schedule which assures that SEC teams will knock each other off so many times that no team is likely to be in contention for the national championship. The seven conference games are especially hard on UK, which is so thin that it can't battle a conference strongboy week after week.

MR. CRUM - Make way for Denny Crum, a perturbed Denny Crum. The University of Louisville basketball coach, who gets my vote for having the nation's best team this season, returned a recent column in which I said that Roselle needs to be told what goes on at colleges that are successful in football and/or basketball.

Wrote Crum: "This is totally bull#\$%&. You don't have to buy players to win in major college basketball."

Denny did not add whether he believes in the Easter bunny.

UK VS. U OF L - Crum scheduled an intrasquad at Paducah Tilghman High this pre-season,

and will take his team to Frankfort next year. Both are deep in Big Blue country. U of L continues to make strides in the state, while UK doesn't do a lot to protect its turf.

TAKE A BOW, 27 - UK and Lexington TV station WKYT-27 have had an incestuous relationship. Let's just say that they look out for each other. That's why it was so surprising that it was Channel 27 that broke the Sean Kemp story. I'm told that top management at the station approved the use of the story. It's a new day in the history of electronic journalism at the station. Dave Baker is the Channel 27 guy who uncovered the story.

AND NOW THE VOLS - When Claiborne takes his Cats to Knoxville, they won't be facing a totally defenseless band of Tennessee Vols. You know what happened at Oxford against Ole Miss Saturday. But Tennessee has two other scores that stand out. The Vols lost to Georgia just 28-17 and to Alabama just 28-20.

Tennessee has a great linebacker, Keith DeLong (yes, his daddy played for the Vols, too) had 126 total hits, 97 tackles and 29 assists going into the Ole Miss game.

FINAL WORD - No matter how many points you get, don't bet on the Cats against Duke. Pray.

The bowl scenario

Bowl	Date	Site	TV	Payoff	Possible matchups
Sugar	Jan. 2	New Orleans, La.	ABC	\$2.75 million	Auburn or LSU vs. USC or Florida State
Orange	Jan. 2	Miami, Fla.	NBC	\$2.75 million	Miami vs. Neb.-Okla. winner
Rose	Jan. 2	Pasadena, Calif.	ABC	\$6 million	USC or UCLA vs. Michigan
Fiesta	Jan. 2	Tempe, Ariz.	NBC	\$2.5 million	Notre Dame vs. W. Virginia
Cotton	Jan. 2	Dallas, Texas	CBS	\$2.4 million	Arkansas vs. Fla. St. or UCLA
Citrus	Jan. 2	Orlando, Fla.	ABC	\$1.15 million	Neb.-Okla. loser vs. Clemson
Hall of Fame	Jan. 2	Tampa, Fla.	NBC	\$1 million	LSU or Auburn vs. Syracuse
Gator	Jan. 1	Jacksonville, Fla.	ESPN	\$1 million	Georgia vs. Mich. St., Pitt or Colorado
Peach	Dec. 31	Atlanta, Ga.	Mizlou	\$850,000	Iowa vs. N. Carolina or team from Pac-10
Holiday	Dec. 30	San Diego, Calif.	ESPN	\$850,000	Wyoming vs. Oklahoma State
Freedom	Dec. 29	Anaheim, Calif.	Mizlou	\$500,000	BYU vs. Arizona or Colorado
All American	Dec. 29	Birmingham, Ala.	ESPN	\$750,000	Florida vs. Illinois or Mich. St.
Liberty	Dec. 28	Memphis, Tenn.	Raycom	\$1 million	Indiana vs. South Carolina
Aloha	Dec. 25	Honolulu, Hawaii	ABC	\$500,000	Washington State vs. Houston
Sun	Dec. 24	El Paso, Texas	CBS	\$800,000	Alabama vs. Army
Independence	Dec. 23	Shreveport, La.	Mizlou	\$500,000	Southern Miss. vs. Pitt, Wake Forest, UTEP or Kentucky
California	Dec. 10	Fresno, Calif.	ESPN	\$180,000	W. Michigan vs. Fresno St.



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In Atlanta: Sutton gains support of SEC coaches

Back in Lexington: Bad news for Cliff Hagan

No one could blame Eddie Sutton for breathing a sigh of relief as he left the podium at the Southeastern Conference Media Days in Atlanta last week. The University of Kentucky coach had just finished



Larry Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist

pleading his case at the annual Southeastern Conference Media Days when he walked down the steps, smiled and winked at UK sports information director Chris Cameron.

He had reason to smile, too. He had fielded questions about the current NCAA probe of his program as smoothly as any ground ball Brooks Robinson ever caught during his Hall of Fame career.

Sutton, though, had no way of knowing that 400 miles to the north trouble was brewing again in Lexington. No one in Atlanta knew that news of the ousting of UK athletics director Cliff Hagan had been reported.

Instead, Sutton and sophomore LeRon Ellis had spent time describing the ordeals they have endured since the probe started last April.

"All this did kind of rattle us at the beginning," said Ellis, a 6-10 sophomore expected to be UK's star this season. "We've been through a lot the last few months but we couldn't keep dwelling on it."

"Our team has handled the pressure well. We just try to answer questions people ask the best we can but a lot of times we don't even know what is going on."

Sutton knows the feeling. He repeated his frustrations over the way the whole NCAA investigation has been made public.

"Unlike any other NCAA investigation ever this one has all been out in the open," said Sutton. "A lot of people have prejudged us as being guilty."

"The allegations are just charges. I'm confident some of the 18 allegations will be dropped after the university completes its investigation. Then we go in front of the (NCAA) Infractions Committee. Normally they wouldn't even be aware of what is going on but I'm sure they have read all about it."

Sutton stressed that he felt the NCAA would be fair despite sentiment across the country that Kentucky will and should be heavily penalized.

"I hope the committee is not backed into a corner by all the publicity," said the UK coach. "I hope we are judged on this and not past sins."

Just what past sins he meant wasn't clear. All 18 allegations in the current probe involve problems during Sutton's tenure at UK.

His most pressing problem until the NCAA hears Kentucky's case is rebuilding a team that lost five seniors plus Rex Chapman to the NBA. And he has to do it without sophomore Eric Manuel, his most experienced returning player.

Manuel's status is still in limbo. He withdrew from practice after his college entrance test score was questioned.

If his test score is ruled valid when American College Test (ACT) officials check it, he can play immediately. If it is ruled invalid, no one is sure what he'll do.

"They could come in any time and check his test," said Sutton. "If he gets certified we will play him."

That certainly would suit Ellis, who feels Manuel's absence has already put UK on probation.

"We are already being penalized even though Eric volunteered not to play," said Ellis. "With him on the



Sloan: I feel sorry for UK

team we would have a much better chance in the league."

Sutton feels he's served a life sentence since news broke in April that a package sent from the UK basketball office to the father of recruit Chris Mills reportedly contained \$1,000 cash.

"People that were being investigated used to tell me how tough it was," said Sutton. "I wasn't sensitive enough. Now I have more compassion."

Other SEC coaches feel Sutton and the Wildcats have been treated unfairly by the media.

"I'm not a person to deal in rumors," said Florida Coach Norm Sloan. "I'm not one to rub my hands together and enjoy it."

After that Sloan, who has seen his program linked to a drug investigation at Florida, took heavy aim at the SEC media.

"It's a damn nightmare (at Kentucky) and I sorry they are going through it," said Sloan. "It has been going on too long and when it does you (the media) just make up stories. It's a — shame they have to go through this."

Georgia Coach Hugh Durham is a Kentucky native and has always been a UK basketball fan. He's also undergone an investigation by the NCAA.

"We're in a conference and should be a family and care about each other," said Durham. "We're very competitive but all the coaches get along. I care about Kentucky and feel for them."

"I think we would all like to find out the truth. Everybody wants to write something before the truth is out. That's kind of tough."

It's so tough UK lost several recruits last April and signed only one, Matt Brassow of Houston, last week. Things are also different as UK was picked fifth, not first, in the annual SEC media poll here.

But the toughest part is waiting for the axe to drop. "We all thought the NCAA meant business and would come out and do something," said Ellis. "Instead this just keeps dragging on and on. Big issues are being made out of nothing."

Sutton believes that, too. He realizes, though, all he can do is work harder than ever until he sees what the NCAA decides to do.

"I'm standing up to this because of my strong Christian faith," said Sutton. "Life is not easy. There is a lot of adversity out there. I hope we survive and get stronger."



Durham: We are F-A-M-I-L-Y

"I've become a strong and more dedicated person because of all this. The only chance we have is for the coaching staff to do the best job it can. If we do and the kids do their best we can accept defeat. We can live with that. It would be very easy to wallow in self-pity but I don't want to do that."

He shouldn't. After all, it's Hagan, not Sutton, that suddenly is under fire. That doesn't completely make sense to me since UK's overall athletic program is flourishing.

The men's basketball team is under fire but the golf, track, cross country, tennis and baseball teams are doing better than ever.

The football team has been one of the nation's biggest surprises this year and no one runs a stricter program than Jerry Claiborne.

To blame only Hagan for the alleged violations is unfair and he shouldn't be made the scapegoat for the actions of a coach or UK booster. If UK is guilty of some or all of the NCAA allegations, Hagan has to share the blame because he heads the athletics department.

But he shouldn't have to shoulder the burden alone and it certainly seems unfair to dismiss him just because of this probe. No athletic director can control what a coach or booster does 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Hagan isn't accused of putting money in a videotape cassette. He isn't accused of taking Manuel's test or tampering with the results. He didn't break recruiting rules. He didn't pawn any gold chains.

Hagan, who insists he won't resign, bled blue before he earned All-America honors and will years from now, too.

Opposing players and teams will circle UK like vultures looking for an easy kill this season. When UK is down, everyone wants a piece of the Cats.

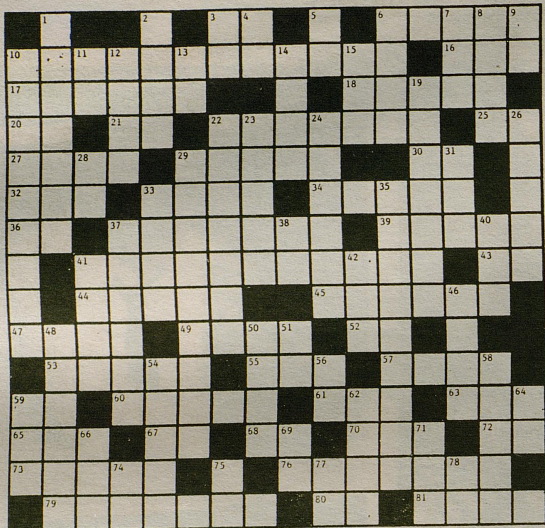
Maybe both Hagan and UK will survive this season. But don't bet on it.

Recently freshman Shawn Kemp, ineligible this year, left UK. Hagan could be the next casualty but if he is, he won't be the last and shouldn't be.

"I'm sure everybody is looking more forward to playing Kentucky this year," said Sutton. "They are more enthusiastic about their chances to beat Kentucky. Everybody thinks this is the year to get the Wildcats."

TCP CROSSWORD PUZZLE

By Dan Krueckberg



THE CATS IN THE FINAL FOUR

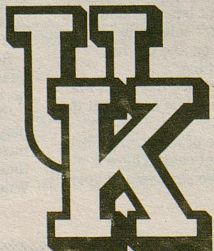
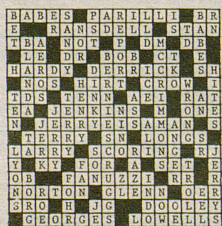
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- 43 Initials of Stokes of '84 Final 4 Cavs
- 44 Once more
- 45 Coach Cats beat in '78 Final 4
- 47 Elaborate vocal solo
- 49 _____ team made Final 4 in '66
- 52 Initials of an '88 Cat
- 53 See 39 Across
- 55 One of the networks
- 57 Pain expression
- 59 Initials of 27 Across
- 60 A hot-shooting _____
- 61 A SW school
- 63 Abbr. for holiday near Final 4
- 65 One of the polls
- 67 Initials of Schall of '78 Final 4 Hogs
- 68 '78 Final 4 was _____ St. Louis
- 70 Post-regulation periods
- 72 Initials of star jr. of '66 Final 4 Cats
- 73 Losses for '48 Final 4 Cats
- 76 Got first Final 4 trip in '75
- 79 Site of '84 Final 4
- 80 Abbr. for school Cats beat to gain '58 Final Four
- 81 Cats usually came out of the Mid _____ Regionals

DOWN

- 1 _____ scoring led '84 Final 4 Cats
- 2 Namesakes of 22 Down
- 3 Initials of Henderson; coach of '48 Cats Final 4 foe Baylor
- 4 Abbr. for state of '84 Final 4
- 5 Initials of coach of Final Four foes for '84 Cats
- 6 Abbr. for "energy"
- 7 Conf. of EMU, MSU and Kent State
- 8 Pain
- 9 Initials of Larry of '66 Final 4
- 10 '49 Cats beat them to reach Final 4
- 11 Initials of an '88 Cat
- 12 Final Four trips for Cats
- 13 Abbr. for an European country
- 14 "They called out"
- 15 Independent in Tulsa
- 19 Cats played _____ K State in '51 Finals
- 22 His Miners beat Cats in '66 Final 4
- 23 "When will Cats _____ go to Final 4?"
- 24 Georgetown seemed to get all the _____ in '84 Final 4 game with Cats
- 26 Cats reached Final 4 in _____ sr. year
- 28 Abbr. for state of '49/'51 Final 4
- 29 _____ '51 squad reached Final 4
- 31 '49 Final 4 Cats beat Okla. A&M by _____ chute
- 35 1st to defeat Cats in Final 4
- 37 Cats reached Final 4 in _____ soph. season
- 38 C. _____ of '48/'49 Final 4 Cats
- 40 Vase
- 41 Givens was the _____ force in '78 Final 4
- 42 Continent abbr.
- 46 Only _____ have Cats & UL been in same Final 4
- 48 _____ 1st Final 4 came in jr. year
- 50 Bear Cats in '75 Final 4
- 51 Initials of Sam of '84 Final 4
- 54 Can even happen in Final 4
- 56 '51 Cats beat _____ John's to gain Final 4
- 58 _____ last Final 4 came in '84
- 59 Frotrude
- 62 College student
- 64 Abbr. for city of '75 Final 4
- 66 Anger
- 69 Initials of Thad of '66 Final 4
- 71 Oil can letters
- 74 Initials of 6 Across
- 75 Initials of Lee of '78 Final 4
- 77 Milt Ticco was _____ Cats 1st Final 4 team
- 78 West coast city abbr.

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A restoration

Dear Sir:

It's taken him three short years to restore Kentucky basketball back to its rightful place atop the collegiate world.

What a horrid wasteland it had been for what seemed an eternity to many.

Inheriting a program that cried out for a breath of fresh air and a return to the glory days of years gone by, Eddie Sutton has renewed the faith of Kentucky basketball followers everywhere.

What certainly impresses me the most about this remarkable turnaround in Kentucky basketball fortunes is the utter grit and straightforwardness coach Sutton has displayed in light of the erroneous accusations voiced by the NCAA recently. Add to that the more-than-likely set-up by Emery and perhaps even that of the remarkable and untouchable Shawn Kemp and you begin to understand what I'm getting at.

Oh, only if I could be permitted to pass through the doors of "Eddieville," formerly Joe B. Hall Wildcat Lodge, and voice my appreciation and admiration to coach Sutton. Oh, please, just one, "No comment," from the coach.

And what of Rex (Chapman)? Had Rex not lost complete confidence in himself and his ability to play at the college level he would be suiting up in the Blue and White once again and not playing for millions in the pros.

I must now take this opportunity to address the local print media: I congratulate you for your marvelous show of compassion towards coach Sutton while dealing with this remarkable turnaround of Kentucky basketball. Had it been anyone but coach Sutton, you most certainly would have racked that person over the coals, but that would have been an admission of guilt. Were you guys wrong for 13 years?

Yes, he most certainly has taken Kentucky back, and back, and back, and back...

Jack H. Taylor
Lexington

Already on probation

Dear Sir:

What in the world is going to happen next? On my way to work today I stopped to get a *USA Today* and I couldn't believe my eyes. On the (sports section) front page it has a big story on the NCAA allegations of UK.

Why? Because Kansas was put on probation! Why wasn't Kansas in the big bold print? Either UK is the biggest name in sports or somebody in the press has it in for them like nobody before. You would think their basketball program had killed someone to warrant this kind of publicity.

Whatever the infraction committee boys in Kansas City deal out to UK (if anything), I hope they realize that the press has had them on probation for almost a year already, and that their penalty, as the papers would like them to believe, doesn't have to be as stiff as Kansas' because their program doesn't have any black marks against it in the last five years like Kansas. I hope when this is all over everybody at UK remembers who was fair to them and who was not.

About this upcoming season, I'm really looking forward to it because of all the Kentucky kids that are finally going to get to play. It's going to be a good feeling to know that win or lose, these kids gave 100 percent for a team, a school and a state that they have grown up with and in, and dreamed of play-

ing for. This is really your team, Kentucky, so I hope all of you that have shown such great support in the past will keep doing so now and in the future. These boys need it and deserve it. I wish I could get down and show mine more.

Dale Wright
St. Joseph, Mich.

NCAA rules stink

Dear Sir:

As a true blue Wildcat, I couldn't get by without my *TCP*. I read it from cover to cover as soon as I receive it.

When reading all the things the NCAA has said we've done wrong, anyone can see Kentucky has been "set up." As long as I can remember we have been hated by all schools, even in our conference.

I think the NCAA stinks with some of the rules they have set up. It's a poor world we live in when a coach or student manager can't give a player a ride to find a job, the schools can't pay them, the fans can't give them anything to show the pleasure they get from watching them play. Why should it bother the NCAA? It's not out of their pockets. What do they think, the players are going to buy the extras they need with their looks if they don't have a job? Take a look at the money the athletic department brings in. I think (UK president David) Roselle has forgotten he took money and paid the faculty out of ours.

I don't think Eric Manuel is guilty, either, he has gone to school a year so his grades should be up. If not, better check up on the teachers to see what kind of job they are doing.

Another rule could be put in force if a player leaves before his four years to go pro. He should have to pay the school back the money he used while going to school. That money could be used to have someone else play, that wouldn't leave a team short on players before his time is up.

And really what ticked me off was the article about Dan Issel. What better man or citizen for our young players to meet that Dan or any of our other players who left Kentucky and made good in this cruel world we live in. I'm so proud of our young men and our coaches. I'm proud to be a Kentucky football and basketball fan. To hear some people talk, you'd think our coaches were dumb, especially to send money (to the wrong address). Now that's as big a set-up as anyone can see, if they will only think about it.

I could keep on writing, but better quit. Keep up the good work.

Norma Engler
Irvington

Texas 'Cat

Dear Sir:

I want to thank you so much for every issue that you put out. I am so far away that I can no longer hear the basketball games. Also, the television stations here cut out the basketball games on Saturdays and Sundays to watch *Ben Hur* and other movies. They say not enough people watch basketball down here. Well, all I can say is this makes *The Cats' Pause* even more precious to me. Thanks for your good work. I still say under the adversity the 'Cats will still have a winning season and get a bid to the NCAA. I will be moving in February to Guam about a ship in the Navy, so please continue to send my paper quickly when you receive my change of address.

Bill Clement
Corpus Christi, Texas

Difficult to be optimistic after first look at 'Cats

At this stage things don't look promising

I FINALLY GOT my first look at the current edition of the Kentucky basketball Cats at the recent Blue-White scrimmage at Rupp Arena and it was difficult to come away too optimistic about



Dan Brandenburg

Cats' Pause Columnist

the upcoming season.

Especially when that season gets underway Saturday with Duke, the nation's No. 1 team according to Sports Illustrated, Street & Smith and others, I'm sure.

But then, it's really impossible to cull much information from the scrimmage. When you take a team that is already very short on numbers and divide it in half, the sum of the parts do not always equal a whole.

Coach Eddie Sutton said it was the worst of the team's three scrimmages and I surely hope he was right.

"The best way to describe the way we played at times is wild, careless," he said. "We used bad judgment with our shot selection, we used bad judgment with our passing and we used bad judgment in taking chances on defense. It was just a lack of discipline."

You could have perceived a lot more about the squad last Monday when, as a whole, it took on Sweden's national team. That way, you could have seen the actual five players that will be facing Duke in action together instead of on opposite ends of the court.

Last Monday, there were a lot of people playing out of position and there was too much responsibility placed on the team's three walk-ons who are still learning the system and how to play big-time basketball.

John Pelphrey and Chris Mills were both playing point guard and, while doing a credible job despite six turnovers each, left little doubt that Sean Sutton is sorely missed as the floor captain while he recuperates from a broken cheekbone.

HIS DAD SAID he would definitely miss the Duke game, probably miss the Great Alaska Shootout Nov. 25-28 and most likely be back in action in early December.

Pelphrey played the point about as well as you could expect any 6-7 freshman forward who has never before played the position.

Mills was born to play basketball, but he is a shooting guard without any doubt. It's very difficult to both score a lot of points and play the point, especially when you're a true freshman.

"Chris can do it (play point guard)," Sutton said, "but it frustrates the rest of his game to do that."

He showed a lot of talent and potential in the Blue-White game (16 points, 7 rebounds and 4 steals), but the numbers would surely have been lower if he had played the point all night. He hit 7 of 10 from two-point range, but missed all five of his three-pointers.

He seems like a sure starter to me and, although I would hate to put a leash on his talent by sticking him at the point, I think he is the best choice available until Sutton returns. He's also too good not to be on the court.

Richie Farmer, while he showed that he could handle the shooting part of college basketball, left some doubts about the other phases of his game.

He, perhaps more than anyone else on the team, has had to make a big adjustment from high school to college ball.

Farmer hit just three of 10 shots, but they were all three-pointers and came in a one-minute span late in the game. It reminded me of the finals of the Sweet Sixteen earlier this year against Ballard when he scored 51 points.

THAT LEAVES DERRICK Miller at the other guard slot and he deserves the job. Miller looked good in the scrimmage — he opened the Whites' scoring with a pair of three-pointers — but made only two more shots in 12 attempts the rest of the night. He also added 5 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals.

Miller will probably also have a starting role when Sutton returns because of his experience, but Mills will be right on his heels and ready to step in at any moment.

Reggie Hanson had by far the best game of anyone and should be considered a sure starter. He scored 22 points, hit 10 of 12 from the field, grabbed 5 rebounds, dished out 3 assists and made six steals.

"Reggie played a whale of a ball game," Sutton said. "If you want to judge a player of the game, then he had an outstanding one."

"He played the game with a lot of enthusiasm. Good things happen when you do that. You didn't see him take any bad shots, did you?"

The other forward slot? Who knows?

LeRon Ellis had a whale of a game also with 39 points, but you have to consider that he barely made one-half (16) of his 31 shots and that he was guarded most of the night by Mike Scott, who had a "horrendous" game, according to Sutton.

Ellis also had 11 rebounds and 4 steals, while Scott finished with 4 points, 4 rebounds and 4 turnovers.

"Mike's played better in practice," Sutton said. "He's got a chance to start."

Ellis has a 100 percent chance to start. It's just a question of where. If he plays forward, then Scott will have to start at center unless Sutton wants to use a 6-7 player at the post.

IF ELLIS IS at center, Deron Feldhaus is the most likely choice at forward. The freshman from Maysville hit 5 of 9 shots and scored 11 points in the scrimmage.

I was impressed early in the scrimmage with Feldhaus when he got the ball down low, went up strong to put it in and sent Ellis sailing in the process. Sure, he was called for an offensive foul and the basket didn't count, but it great to see the aggressive play.

Although we didn't get a look at it because Ellis and Scott were on different teams, Sutton said the duo had been practicing together in a double-low post offense. That's my bet for Saturday.

As for the rest of the team, their individual performances were unmemorable. However, I was impressed with walk-on Chris Jones, especially after he stuffed Farmer's shot on the first play of the game.

Although he is also a freshman, he showed a lot of court-sense and savvy, plus racked up some good numbers: 2 of 3 from the field, 6 rebounds, 5 assists, 5 steals. Although not blessed with great quickness or size, Jones could start for a smaller program.

Sutton's assessment of the team after the scrimmage?

"At this stage, we're not a very good ball club. One day we play good and one day we play so-so. We haven't even thought about Duke; we're just trying to get the ball club together."

* * *

TIME TO TIE up a few loose ends.



Chris Mills

Media's SEC picks

Rank	Team	Points
1.	Georgia (21)	483
2.	Florida (19)	479
3.	Tennessee (12)	454
4.	Vanderbilt (2)	352
5.	Kentucky	281
6.	Mississippi	251
7.	Alabama	233
8.	LSU	208
9.	Auburn	133
10.	Mississippi State	99

(First place votes in parentheses)

Preseason All-SEC team

(Vote of media and coaches)

- *Dyron Nix, Tennessee
 - Ricky Blanton, LSU
 - Michael Ansley, Alabama
 - Barry Goheen, Vanderbilt
 - Gerald Glass, Mississippi
- (*Unanimous selection)

—Kentucky was generously picked by the media to finish fifth in the SEC behind Georgia, Florida, Tennessee and Vanderbilt. The bottom half was Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana State, Auburn and Mississippi State, in that order.

—Former UK quarterback Bill Ransdell signed with the Indianapolis Colts as a free agent but has since been waived.

—The Vols' Dyron Nix was the only unanimous selection to the preseason All-SEC team. The others were: Barry Goheen of Vanderbilt, Ricky Blanton of LSU, Michael Ansley of Alabama and Gerald Glass of Ole Miss.

—Sutton of Kentucky had a great quote at SEC Media Days: "I personally feel like I've served a life sentence already. No doubt we've already served a year's probation in recruiting."

—Let's don't just think about basketball and football when we talk about UK sports: the school's cross country team is ranked 13th in the nation and the volleyball squad is ninth.

—UK joke of the week: Did you hear that they are going to change the name of Wildcat Lodge? To Eddie-ville.

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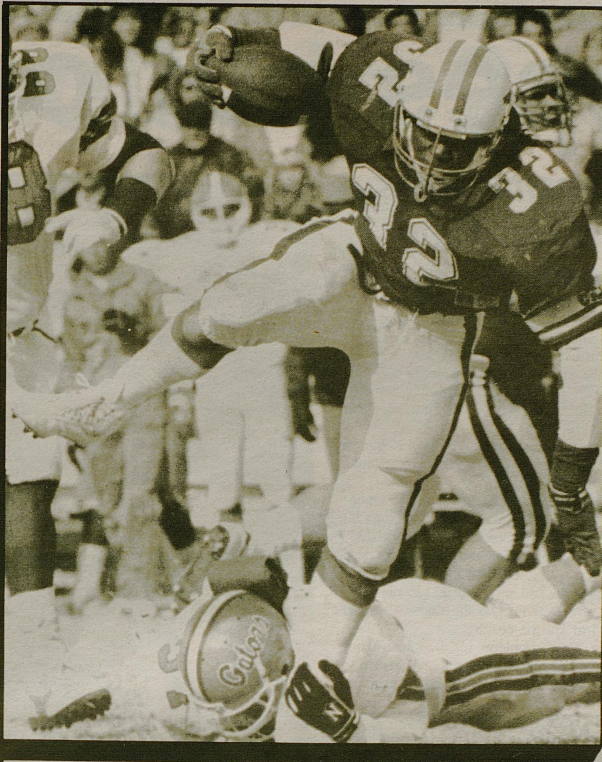
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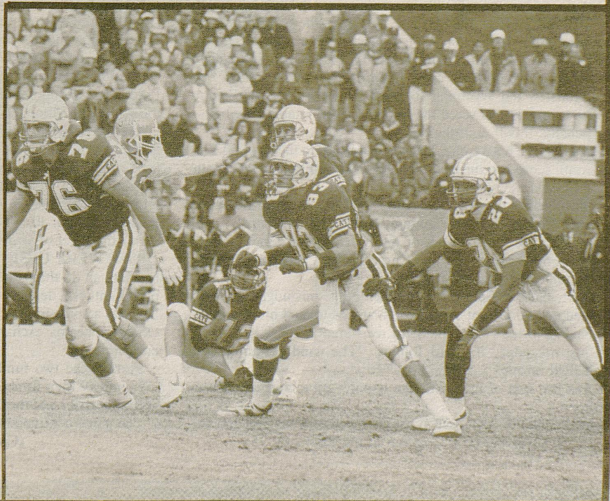
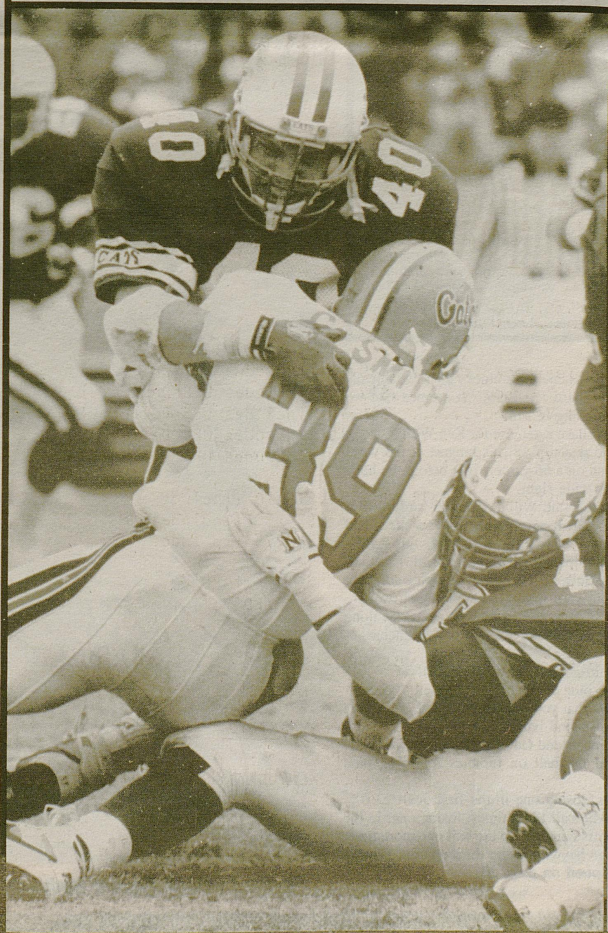
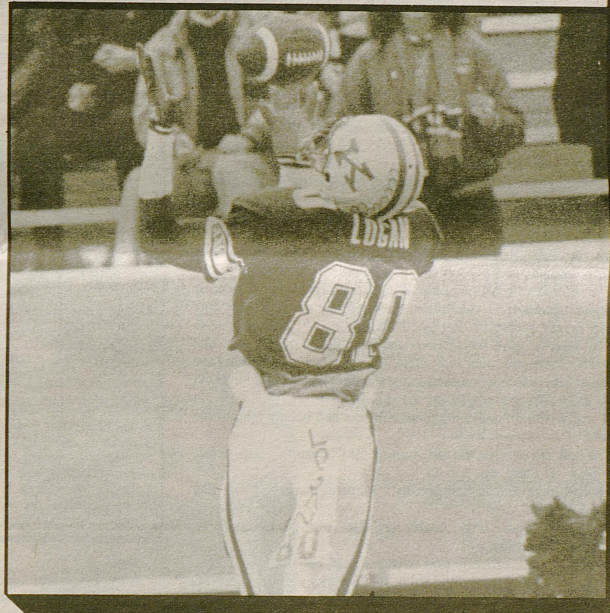


KENTUCKY WILDCATS

FLORIDA 'BOWLS' OVER 'CATS

(Top left, clockwise) Senior back Ivy Joe Hunter found the going tough against his hometown Gators. On the day he rushed for only 22 yards on eight carries. He enters Saturday's game against Tennessee as UK's eighth all-time leading rusher with 1,662 yards; Phil Logan hauls in a fourth-quarter pass. UK scored two touchdowns late in the final stanza and had the ball in the final minute, but a Glenn Fohr interception secured a winning season for Galen Hall's Gators and probably a bid in the All-American Bowl in Birmingham; Mike Nord (76), Bill Allen (12), Mike Meece (83) and Ray Gover (28) watch as Ken Willis (middle) almost connects on what would have been a school-record 66-yard field goal. The kick, which sailed the required distance, was a couple of feet off to the right; and Randy Holleran (40) and Chris Chenault (45) nail fullback Cedric Smith to the turf.

Florida-UK photos by Gary Cromwell



UK bowl hopes put on 'UK'

Questionable defensive holding penalty gives Florida first score, momentum to drop 'Cats

By TCP staff writer Jim Easterwood

The Wildcats of Kentucky had just knocked down Florida's kingpin. An All American strike perhaps.

But then a "zebra" put their "bowling" hopes on hold.

Literally, and figuratively.

What a crock! Or so said the 'Cats as they licked their wounds from a 24-19 Gator bite.

The heartbreaking defeat cost them a trip to Birmingham and the All American Bowl. Instead, the Gators got the nod.

"This is one we'll remember...always," said UK defensive back David Johnson. "So close...and yet so far."

It was 6-0 Kentucky, with Florida driving for a touchdown late in the third quarter. It was third-and-five on the 11.

But then the Gators got confused on the snap count. Florida quarterback Kyle Morris, a second-half kingpin, pulled away too soon. He smelled a 'Cat blitz.

The center snapped and Kentucky linebacker Chris Chenault out-wrestled Morris for the ball as it fell at the 11. Morris got up and trotted to the sideline as the Gator defense came on the field. Chenault and his defensive cohorts celebrated.

BUT WAIT, KENTUCKY. Hold that offensive line. Yes, that's no yellow rose of Kentucky on the turf. Just a bottle of Gator aid. Kentucky defensive back Albert Burks had been caught holding Florida's Tony Lomack.

"That might have been the difference in the game," said Morris later. "It seems to me it should have been their ball. I don't really know what happened. But that was the break we needed and we got it."

Did they ever. Highway robbery? Just say the Gators held up the Commonwealth and got away with a bundle.

The official who called holding on Burks might be wise to steer clear of Lexington in the future. He would be about as welcome as an Emery salesman. For good reason.

"He (Burks) gave the receiver the little bump off the line and released," said noseman Jerry Bell. "He said his body might have stopped him before he crossed to the outside. But he said he didn't grab cloth. We got ripped on that one."

It really wouldn't have mattered if Burks had been a man of the cloth.

The ball had to be on the turf, waiting for Chenault's grasp, before the hold...if there was a hold.

"It had to be a dead-ball penalty," Johnson insisted. "The flag came way late."

Kentucky coach Jerry Claiborne also was puzzled—if not incensed—about the call.

"I thought the officials said it was a dead-ball foul...it had to be," said Claiborne. "I don't think they (Burks and the receiver) could have made contact before the ball was fumbled. If it was a dead-ball foul, we should have regained possession."

That should have been the likely scenario after the officials huddled to determine UK's ultimate fate. It figures the ball hit the turf before the hold. If it hadn't then Lomack was a mile offside.

IRONICALLY, THE EXACT SAME PLAY, and subsequent flag for defensive holding, came in an ESPN televised game between Houston and Wyoming six hours later. In this case Wyoming, the team that recovered the fumbled snap, retained the ball—sans penalty. Small consolation.

Instead, as the boos came, UK was penalized to the five and Emmitt Smith scored on the next play. John David Francis' PAT made it 7-6. Florida never looked back.

"It changed the tempo of the game," said defensive tackle Oliver Barnett. "It gave them momentum. It pumped them up."

The flag took the wind out of the 'Cats. Other winds helped. Like the breeze that blew into Chris Tolbert's face preceding the momentum-turner on the goalline.

Tolbert, back to field a fourth-down punt, misjudged the ball. It landed a yard in front of him and bounced up and hit him in the facemask. Florida's Greg Baldwin recovered at the UK 27.

"I just misjudged it," said Tolbert. "The wind got ahold of it and it died on me."

It was just one of many strange bobbles on a cold and dreary afternoon.

Take the punt by Jay Tesar. It caught the side of his foot and netted just 15 yards before rolling out at the Kentucky 35.

Francis then kicked a 47-yard field goal to make it 10-6 Florida. Florida then made it 17-6 on a eight-yard run by the elusive Smith. A pair of 20-yard completions from Morris to Mark McGriff and Lomack set up Smith's TD run with 8:14 to play. Smith wound up with 127 yards on 28 carries.

Florida then wrapped up the game on a two-yard plunge by Willie McClendon with 2:22 left. Or the Gators thought they had.

With Florida coach Galen Hall subbing freely, the 'Cats mounted a spirited comeback against the wind.

Glenn Fohr connected with a 11-yard TD pass to Phil Logan to make the score 24-12. Two brilliant receptions by Paducah freshman Neal Clark set up the touchdown.

UK then got the ball back as defensive end Tony Massey grabbed the outside kick after it had hit a Florida player. Fohr then hit Logan on a tipped 33-yard touchdown pass. Florida led 24-19.

BUT FLORIDA HELD ON as Bill Lang intercepted Fohr's deep pass with 24 seconds left.

"I was confident when we got the ball back with 34 seconds left," said Fohr. "I would rather have gone for two short passes instead of the long one...but then I'm not the coach."

Fohr may have hit on the 'Cats' problems for the game. They picked up only 27 net yards rushing in 31 attempts and seemed to have an offense that was easy to figure out. Or so the Gators claimed.

SEC football standings

School	Conference		Overall	
	W-L-T	Pct.	W-L-T	Pct.
x-LSU.....	6-1-0	.857	7-2-0	.778
Auburn.....	5-1-0	.833	9-1-0	.900
Georgia.....	5-2-0	.714	7-3-0	.700
Alabama.....	4-2-0	.667	7-2-0	.778
Florida.....	4-3-0	.571	6-4-0	.600
Kentucky.....	2-4-0	.333	5-5-0	.500
Ole Miss.....	2-4-0	.333	4-6-0	.400
Vanderbilt.....	2-4-0	.333	3-5-0	.333
Tennessee.....	1-4-0	.200	3-6-0	.333
Mississippi State.....	0-6-0	.000	1-8-0	.111

Nov. 12 results		Nov. 19 games	
Florida 24, Kentucky 19		Kentucky at Tennessee	
Alabama 17, Southwest La. 0		Miami (Fla.) at LSU	
Auburn 20, Georgia 10		Mississippi State at Tulane	
LSU 20, Mississippi State 3		Vanderbilt at Memphis State	
Tennessee 20, Ole Miss 12			
Army 24, Vanderbilt 19			

"A big key to our success was due to Kentucky's predictable offense," said Florida middle guard Jeff Roth. "It seemed like we knew every play they were going to run."

However, the Gators didn't have a defense for Ken Willis' strong leg. The junior kicked field goals of 48 (his longest of the year) and 35 yards and just missed on a 66-yarder right before the half. It had the distance but was wide right.

"I told coach I could get it," said Willis of the 66-yarder. "But I didn't put enough hook into it. It never came back for me. I had the wind and I thought I hit it well. But it just went wide right."

Kentucky's defense played brilliant football the first-half. Especially the hulking Bell. The Bell tolled for Smith once with a crushing tackle that resulted in a four-yard loss. And some harsh words. "You can't print what I said," said Bell, who had six tackles along with six others by Vic Adams. Massey had seven and linebacker Randy Holleran 10.

But the defense seemed to go stale after THE call. "WE WERE UPSET at some of the calls," said Bell. "Mentally, that can do things to you that you don't understand. We didn't play Kentucky defense the second half."

It was a comedy of 'Cat muffs and Gator gaffes in the first half. Once the teams exchanged the ball on fumbles following pass completions.

Florida had two fumbles, losing one in the first quarter. Kentucky then fumbled the ball three times, losing one, in the second quarter and the Gators coughed up the ball one more time.

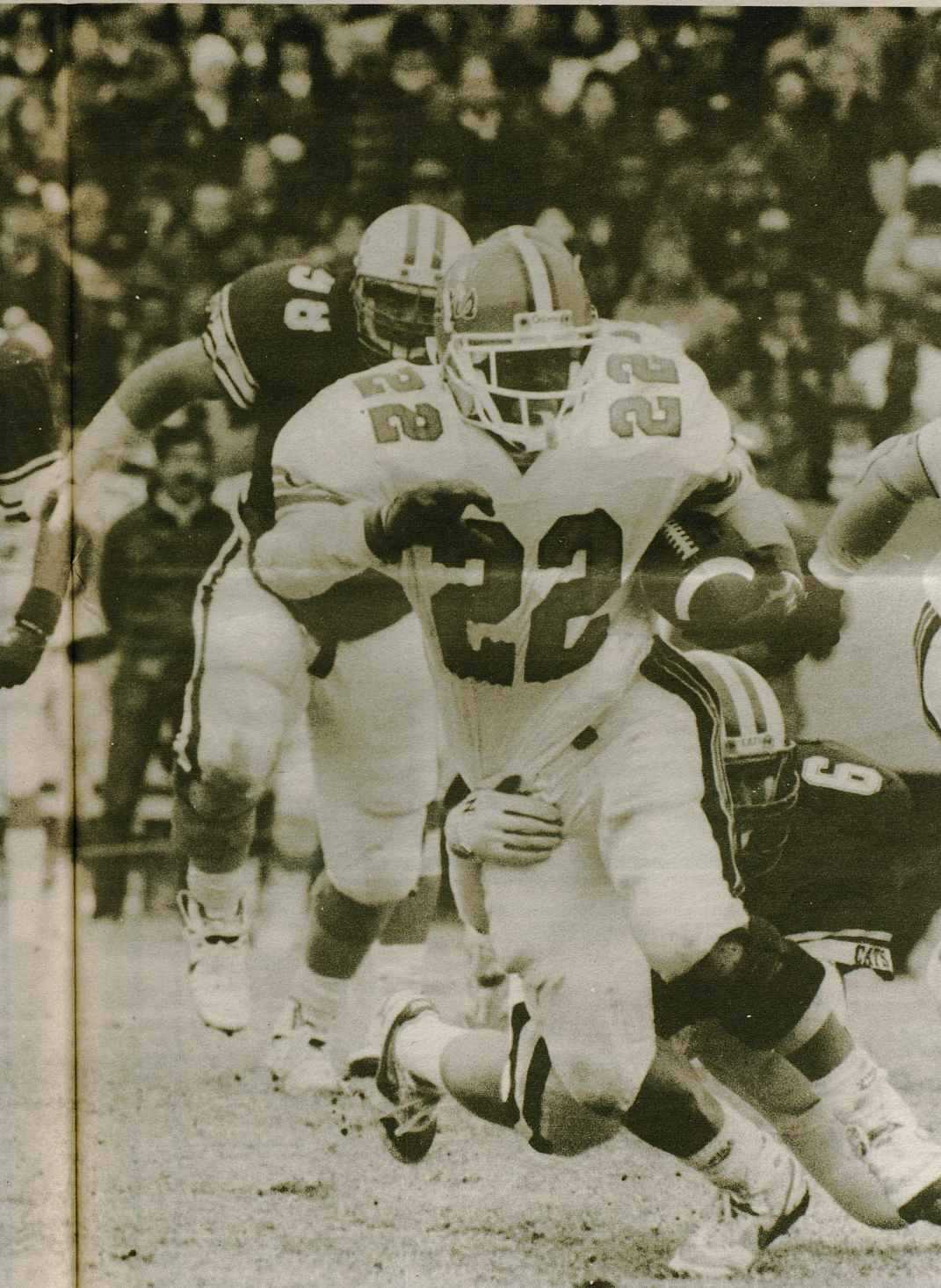
The game continued to go haywire in the third quarter. Florida

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Florida tailback Emmitt Smith (22) scored twice

n 'hold' in 24-19 defeat



22) scored twice as the Gators exploded for 24 points in the last 18 minutes

	KY	FLA
First downs	13	16
Rushes-yards	31-27	48-167
Passing yards	152	161
Attempts-completions-interceptions	36-12-3	23-10-0
Total yards	219	328
Return yards	5	30
Punts-average	8-35.1	9-27.4
Fumbles-lost	4-2	6-4
Penalties-yards	4-25	9-79
Possession time	26:06	31:54
Florida	0	0
Kentucky	0	0

KY—Willis 48 FG
 KY—Willis 25 FG
 FLA—Smith 5 run (Francis kick)
 FLA—Francis kick 47 FG
 FLA—Smith 5 run (Francis kick)
 FLA—McClendon 2 run (Francis kick)
 KY—Logan 11 pass from Fohr (pass failed)
 KY—Logan 33 pass from Fohr (Willis kick)

KENTUCKY

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TDS	LONG
Fohr	7	13	33	120	0	6
Hunter	8	25	3	22	0	13
Rawls	5	2	10	(8)	0	2
Baker	10	40	(4)	35	0	9
Broughton	1	0	3	(3)	0	0
TOTALS	31	80	53	27	0	13

PASSING	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	TDS	LONG
Fohr	33	12	2	192	2	39
Broughton	5	0	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	38	12	3	192	2	39

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	TDS	LONG
Gover	2	18	0	18
Jones	1	15	0	15
Darrington	3	27	0	15
Meece	1	13	0	13
Baker	1	6	0	6
Cook	2	63	0	39
Logan	2	44	2	33
TOTALS	12	192	2	39

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	LONG
Tesar	8	281	35.1	47
TOTALS	8	281	35.1	47

FIELD GOALS	ATT	MADE	LONG
Willis	3	2	48
TOTALS	3	2	48

ALL RETURNS	PUNTS	KICKOFFS	INTS	
NO YDS	NO YDS	NO YDS	NO YDS	
Tolbert	4	4	—	—
Houser	1	1	—	—
Hunter	—	—	1	19
Rawls	—	—	2	30
TOTALS	5	5	3	49

FLORIDA

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TDS	LONG
E. Smith	28	127	14	113	3	12
Perry	6	4	31	(27)	0	4
C. Smith	3	14	1	13	0	12
McClendon	7	65	0	65	0	25
Morris	4	7	4	3	0	7
TOTALS	48	217	50	167	3	25

PASSING	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	TDS	LONG
Perry	11	4	0	63	0	23
Morris	12	6	0	98	0	20
TOTALS	23	10	0	161	0	23

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	TDS	LONG
Barber	3	48	0	18
McGriff	2	43	0	23
E. Smith	1	13	0	13
Lomack	2	40	0	20
Mills	1	12	0	12
McClendon	1	8	0	8
TOTALS	10	161	0	23

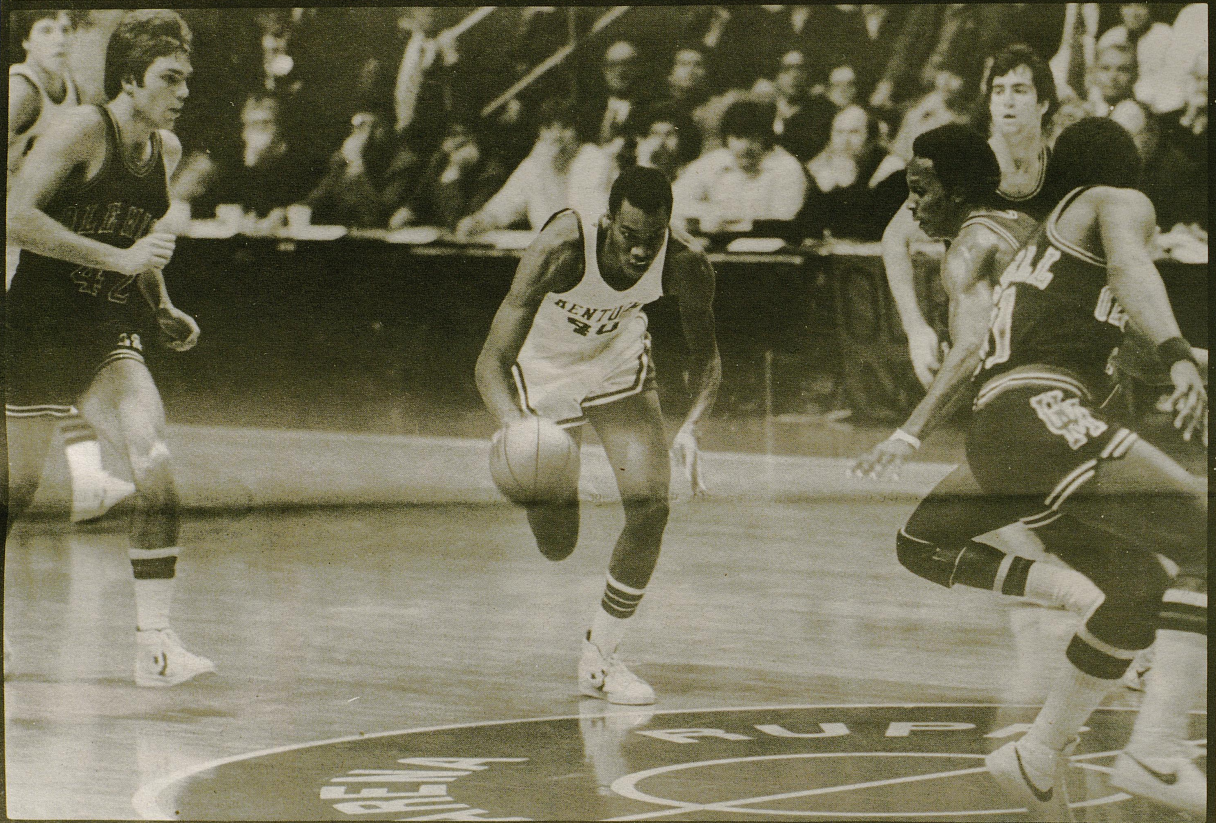
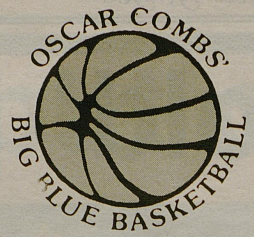
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	LONG
Perry	5	139	27.8	32
Francis	3	108	36.0	44
Team	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	9	247	27.4	44

FIELD GOALS	ATT	MADE	LONG
Francis	1	1	47
TOTALS	1	1	47

ALL RETURNS	PUNTS	KICKOFFS	INTS	
NO YDS	NO YDS	NO YDS	NO YDS	
Watkins	2	4	—	1
Lomack	—	—	2	40
Oliver	—	—	—	1
Lang	—	—	—	1
TOTALS	2	4	2	40

—Cats' Pause chart

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Overachieving 'Cats have provided many memories

Here are some that stick out for me.

When UK battles Tennessee Saturday for the rights to the Beer Barrel, it will mark the ending of a most memorable regular season for the Wildcats.

Before the season, not many people gave this bunch of



Todd Hallum
Cats' Pause Columnist

overachievers much of a chance to accomplish anything, especially with the lack of experience and several off-season problems: A team walk-out after what many considered a racial slur by Happy Chandler; the defection of the team's best receiver, Dee Smith, who was facing drug charges; and numerous injuries to key players during spring practice. In addition to all that, there was the distraction of just being on campus and constantly hearing all the speculation about the fortunes of the basketball program and the NCAA investigation.

Yes, it was probably Jerry Claiborne's most troubled off-season since he came back to Kentucky in 1982.

But, through it all, this team which has a youthful flavor has somehow overcome all the adversity it has faced this season and has put together one of those seasons that every UK fan can truly enjoy, regardless of the outcome of the Tennessee game. This Kentucky team was challenged by the toughest schedule in the nation, according to a preseason report by the NCAA, a schedule that included seven bowl participants from 1987. And then you have to consider the decrease in home attendance.

Yes, this was truly a special year to watch Kentucky football, and here are some of my fondest memories of the 1988 season:

THE RAIN: I don't recall a season that saw so much rain fall during so many home games in quite some time. It seemed just about every home game saw most of crowd gathered under umbrellas and raingear. The Central Michigan game was absolutely a farce and the downpour during the second and third quarters of that game was unbelievable.

THE 20-10 LOSS AT AUBURN: This was probably the starting point of where this team believed it could compete in the SEC. Kentucky had an excellent game plan against a surprised Auburn team and nearly pulled off one of the biggest upsets of the decade. If not for some unfortunate, crazy turnovers, there was no telling what the outcome could have been in this game.

THE LACK OF CLASS BY BILL MALLORY: There is an old saying that says, "What goes around, comes around." However, Indiana coach Mallory had the gall to risk the health of his best offensive player, tailback Anthony Thompson, by having him leap into the end zone in the last few seconds of a game in which the Hoosiers already led 30-15. Nothing could have been any more disheartening for this UK team, which just 24 hours earlier was involved in a horrible accident that killed several people in a car that collided with one of the squad's buses. The play was totally uncalled for and was a blatant display of classlessness by the IU coach. I'm sure every Wildcat player is already looking forward to Sept. 16, 1989, the day the Hoosiers return to Commonwealth Stadium.

THE HEARTBREAKING LOSS TO ALABAMA: You know for several years UK has found numerous ways to lose football games. But this loss was especially hard to take when you consider that UK led 'Bama by 11

points with less than six minutes to go. However, it was the way Kentucky got the lead as the 'Cats roared back with a drive right after the Tid cut the margin to just four. It was great to see a Kentucky offense attack what is an outstanding 'Bama defense in what was a critical frame of a football game. In fact, I doubt any other team will score more points against Alabama (27) than UK did.

OLIVER BARNETT & RANDY HOLLERAN: One of the joys of watching any college football team is seeing players mature and develop. For the past two years Barnett had shown glimpses of greatness, but could never put together a complete season. But through some hard off-season work in the weight room and an overall attitude change about his style of play, Barnett has become one of the league's better defensive linemen. Oliver is a lot of fun to watch and his demeanor both on and off the field makes him one of the more popular players on the team.

Holleran, on the other hand, is just as amazing to watch because he doesn't have the physical attributes of his counterpart. However, nobody moves to the football as well as Holleran and no one puts more heart into a game than the McKeesport, Pa., native. If both of these players can stay healthy, they will be up for some type of all-conference honors next season.

THE FRUSTRATING LOSS AT LSU: Back in Lexington before this night game, the announcement of the allegations against the basketball team got most of the attention. But it's just too bad that UK completely gave a football game away because of some critical mistakes made in the kicking game. How often do you see any team win a game with its longest scoring drive being less than 20 yards? Yes, Christmas came early for Mike Archer's Bayou Bengals. I think if you ask Claiborne or any of his staff members, this game had to be one of the toughest defeats they've ever suffered.

CLAIBORNE & GEORGIA: Coming off yet another hard-fought loss, few expected Kentucky to be emotionally up (blush) for Georgia in a nationally-televised game on TBS. Most people speculated that the season was over and that this team was ready to call it a year. In fact, when asked if the team could be prepared for Georgia, Claiborne boasted to the media that his team would be ready. Call him conservative, old-fashioned or what have you, but just call him a winner.

Claiborne has been a college coach for a long time, and he and his staff were just about the only ones that gave this team any chance to upset the Dawgs. His record speaks for itself and, if you ask any coach in the country, no coach will ever take a Claiborne-coached team lightly. Claiborne is a master of keeping a positive mental attitude with his players and never has second thoughts about losing confidence. He's one of the winningest coaches in the country and you have to take into consideration that he has achieved that record at schools that had no football tradition before he arrived—Virginia Tech, Maryland and now Kentucky. There's no telling how much better his record would be if he had been at a football factory like Notre Dame, Oklahoma or Nebraska.

The bottom line is Claiborne won't let his team quit, even when all indications say it ought to.

MIKE PFEIFER'S KNEE INJURY: Talk about a tough blow to an offense, Pfeifer was the soul of the offensive line and its lone returning letterman. Pfeifer was one of the true leaders of UK's team and his loss was felt by everyone on the club. The fact that the 'Cats have overcome his loss is just another display of the team fighting back against adversity.

RAWLS' RUN: Alfred Rawls, from Pitts, Ga., had a lot of proving to do against Georgia, the school that originally signed him out of high school. His fourth-quarter, 48-yard TD run ensured UK of a 16-10 win over the Dawgs, and probably turned the season around for the 'Cats. Rawls is such a likable guy and his running ability

makes UK's offense so much fun to watch. The victory took a monkey off the back of the football program. Not since 1984 had Kentucky won an SEC game of such importance, and it had been even longer since UK had turned back Georgia. No victory in 1988 could be sweeter.

FAN EXCITEMENT: Despite having one of the worst student sections in the SEC, most of the fans who do attend Commonwealth Stadium are giving the vocal support the squad deserves. Although at times the fans do need some prodding from the players, UK has developed into an excellent home team. Now, if only the UK athletics administration and somebody within the student activities department can get more students in the stands. Even when Claiborne was at Maryland, the student body was much more supportive than it has been at UK. Maryland students arrived early at games and got the rest of the crowd fired prior to kickoff. If Maryland can have good student support, so can UK. If any UK students need references, then I suggest they watch an LSU game in Baton Rouge. That will teach them how to support a college football team on the athletic field: and that includes *before* and *during* the game.

TEAM ATTITUDE: In spite of all their youth, the Wildcats have taken a businesslike approach for every game this season. Of course, they've had to when you consider the schedule, but no player looked ahead to a particular opponent. Kentucky is now developing an attitude that it can win the close games. It's a mental frame of mind of playing to win instead of not to lose. UK has had few major letdowns this year, and is playing with tremendous confidence that was lacking in the past. This attitude can't help but grow. With numerous lettermen returning for next season, there's no telling how good this club will be. However, it must never forget what got it there in the first place.

UK NOTEBOOK: During the last few UK home football games, the university's sports information staff has distributed interview request forms for postgame interviews. For the Vandy game, one visiting scribe listed these names on his sheet: **Shawn Kemp, Chris Mills, Sean Sutton, Eddie Sutton, Patsy Sutton, Melvin Turpin** and **Sam Bowie**. This anonymous person listed his name as **David Berst** and his affiliation as the NCAA. Even at UK football games, some media members just can't resist to take their digs at the basketball program. . . One **UK-Florida** leftover: It seems UK defensive back **Chris Tolbert** has spent most of his football career trying to hunt down Gator running back **Emmitt Smith**. The two played for rival high schools in Pensacola, Fla. According to Tolbert, Smith was just as hard to pull down in high school as he is now in college. . . UK offensive line will face its second Butkus Award contender in Tennessee's **Keith Delong**. The other candidate was Alabama's **Derrick Thomas**. . . Other news out of the Vol camp has it that running back **Reggie Cobb**, who's been injured most of the year, could play against UK. His backup, **Tony Thompson**, has been a pleasant surprise, but could be out for the year after an injury in UT's win over Boston College. . . Former UK quarterback **Bill Ransdell** was recently released by the Indianapolis Colts. Ransdell, who had been helping out with UK's defensive backs prior to signing on with the Colts, was waived when the club added defensive lineman **Don Thorp**. . . As I chatted with Vandy **SID Tony Neely** before the game, the topic of conversation turned to the Commodore basketball team. According to Neely, Vandy does return four players, but will be hurting in the middle with the loss of **Will Perdue**. Neely has high regards for two freshmen coach **C.M. Newton** brought in, and believes the 'Dores will be very competitive in the SEC race this year. However, he warns that this year's Vandy team will have to face one of its toughest schedules in years.



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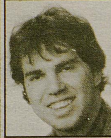
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Last Week		15-8-2 (.640)	16-7-2 (.680)	16-7-2 (.680)	15-8-2 (.640)	16-7-2 (.680)	16-7-2 (.680)
Season Total		196-73-5 (.724)	199-70-5 (.735)	191-78-5 (.706)	191-78-5 (.706)	198-71-5 (.732)	188-81-5 (.695)

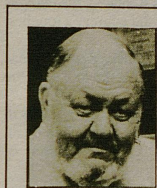
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VANDERBILT AT MEMPHIS STATE	MEMPHIS ST.	1	VANDERBILT	1	VANDERBILT	5	VANDERBILT	7	VANDERBILT	6	VANDERBILT	7
MISSISSIPPI STATE AT TULANE	TULANE	7	TULANE	7	TULANE	3	TULANE	3	TULANE	7	TULANE	3
SOUTH CAROLINA AT CLEMSON	CLEMSON	7	CLEMSON	2	S. CAROLINA	6	CLEMSON	4	CLEMSON	3	CLEMSON	10
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AIR FORCE AT UTEP	UTEP	3	UTEP	6	AIRFORCE	14	AIRFORCE	7	UTEP	13	AIR FORCE	7
HOUSTON AT TEXAS TECH	TEXAS TECH	1	HOUSTON	6	HOUSTON	12	HOUSTON	4	HOUSTON	14	TEXAS TECH	7
BOSTON COLLGE VS ARMY (DUBLIN, IRELAND)	BOSTON C.	8	ARMY	5	ARMY	10	BOSTON C.	3	ARMY	5	ARMY	7

SMU's recent 'death' doesn't seem to deter cheating

Can't programs find a way to play fair?

Ten of the meanest cons in the state pen met in the corner of the yard to shoot some craps. The stakes were enormous, the tension palpable.

When his turn came to shoot Dutsky nervously plunked



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist

down his entire wad, shook the dice and rolled. A smile crossed his face as a seven showed up, but it quickly changed to horror as a third die slipped out of his sleeve and fell to the ground with two others. No one said a word. Finally, Killer Lucci picked up the third die, put it in his pocket and handed the others to Dutsky.

"Roll em," Lucci said. "Your point is thirteen."

—Playboy Magazine

Aren't you getting tired of reading and hearing about schools which cheat to gain an advantage?

So am I.

You'd have thought college coaches would have learned something from the death penalty handed out by the NCAA to SMU football.

Apparently all they learned was it's bad to get caught. Kansas and Cincinnati already have been rapped.

Kentucky is under investigation and odds are the Wildcats also will be made to stand in the corner for at least a year and maybe more.

Where are college athletics going? Where have they been? Isn't it possible to play by the rules off the field and win when you're on?

I remember when I was a kid, and believe me that was a long time ago, there was a scandal at the University of Iowa. The school was accused of giving an athlete a job winding an eight-day clock.

TODAY'S COACHES did not invent the process of breaking rules.

There are just more of them doing it and the prices are higher.

If you read our recent interviews with Marcus Dupree, you'll remember he said his average offer coming out of high school was \$25,000 to \$30,000 per year and that he turned down more cars than he could remember.

Three years ago I talked with an SEC recruiter who told me, indignantly, that a certain high school quarterback had been offered \$30,000 and a ride (a car) to go to a particular Southwest Conference school.

A month later the quarterback signed with that recruiter's school and when I asked him about it he denied laying anything on the kid.

If you believe the player turned down a bundle of money and a new car and accepted, instead, just board, room, books and tuition, then you also believe in Santa Claus and the tooth fairy.

It all boils down to money. Good old American cash. When you have placed your school in position which requires it to gross 11 or 12 million dollars just to meet its annual budget, you have to win. People don't sell out 70,000-, 80,000- or 90,000-seat stadiums to see losers.

You also have to win to keep your job and a big-time coaching job is a very good job, indeed.

A number of years ago I broadcast the Oklahoma City basketball tournament and one of the coaches there was Jerry Tarkanian, presently the Las Vegas head man, but at that time coach at Long Beach.

WE STOOD AROUND in the hospitality room one night with several assistant coaches from other teams in the tournament and listened to them tell recruiting stories. They had, of course, always shot straight and

stayed within the rules they said, but the other guys had cheated in order to sign particular athletes.

Tark could stand it no longer.

"Listen you dumb so and sos," he said. "You don't get fired for how you recruit, you get fired for losing so you do what you have to do."

Is there an answer? Not until the NCAA's own Killer Lucci say to the Dutsky's who coach big-time basketball and football, if they try to slip an extra die into the game they're going to be rolling in an attempt to make 13.

NOT FOR BROADCAST: The greatest play of the 1988 football season did not occur on any college gridiron. It took place at Falkner, Miss., in early November in a high school game between Falkner and Tishimingo. Under the state's tie-breaker rules, when two teams are tied for the right to enter the state playoffs, previous points during the season come into play. Tishimingo needed to beat Falkner by four points or more in order to qualify for the playoffs. With seven seconds to go Tishimingo led by two, 16-14, and had the ball at Falkner's 40. There was no way to kick a field goal from that distance. Tishimingo's coach, **David Herbert**, has Lou Gehrig's disease and has to coach while sitting in a chair in the back of a pickup truck, but there's nothing wrong with his brain. He told his quarterback and son, **Dave Herbert**, to give the ball to tailback **Shane Hill** and have him run 60 yards the wrong way for a safety giving Falkner two points and sending the game into overtime. When Dave told his teammates what they were going to do, the rest of the kids said, "Your daddy must be crazy." The play started like an end sweep, then Hill turned and headed for his own goal. Nobody from Falkner gave chase and the kid ran into the end zone and laid down as the clock ran out. The tie, as a result of the deliberate safety, sent the game into overtime. Then Tishimingo scored a touchdown in overtime, won by six points and qualified for the state playoffs. Had Falkner tackled the tailback as he ran toward his own goal line Falkner would have lost the game but would have qualified, instead of Tishimingo, for the playoffs because of the two-point margin. If there's a Coach of the Year Award this year give it to David Herbert of Tishimingo, Miss., for one of the most brilliant coaching moves ever seen in high school

football.

What happened to Tennessee football this year? Take a look at the '84 and '85 recruiting classes and see if that's the answer. The Vols signed 26 prospects in 1984. Only eight still are on the team. They signed 23 in '85. Only 11 are left. That means that of 49 scholarships handed out those two years, only 19 players still are on the 1988 team.

The home field advantage is well known but how important is it? During the seasons of 1981-87, Florida led the SEC in home field wins with a record of 35-5-2 for 85.7 percent. Georgia was next at 35-7-0, 83.3 percent. Auburn was 35-8 for an 82.6 mark. LSU ranked fourth, 31-14-2, 68.1 percent. Alabama completed the league's top five with a mark of 29-16-1, 64.1 percent. The best in the country was Penn State, 41-5-0, 89.1 percent. Nebraska was second, 39-5-0, 88.6 percent and Miami third, 37-5-0, 88.1 percent. Florida's record was fourth best in the country.

Georgia has three second generation Vince Dooley players on this year's team. **John Kasay**, whose father was a Bulldog offensive lineman; **Stan Stanfill**, son of 1968 Outland Trophy winner, **Bill Stanfill**, and **Scott Rissmiller**, son of 1964 All-America tackle, **Ray Rissmiller**.

Tests show that Auburn's mascot eagle, **Tiger**, has talons that can squeeze down with a grip of 450 pounds per square inch. The average human has a grip of 20 pounds per square inch.

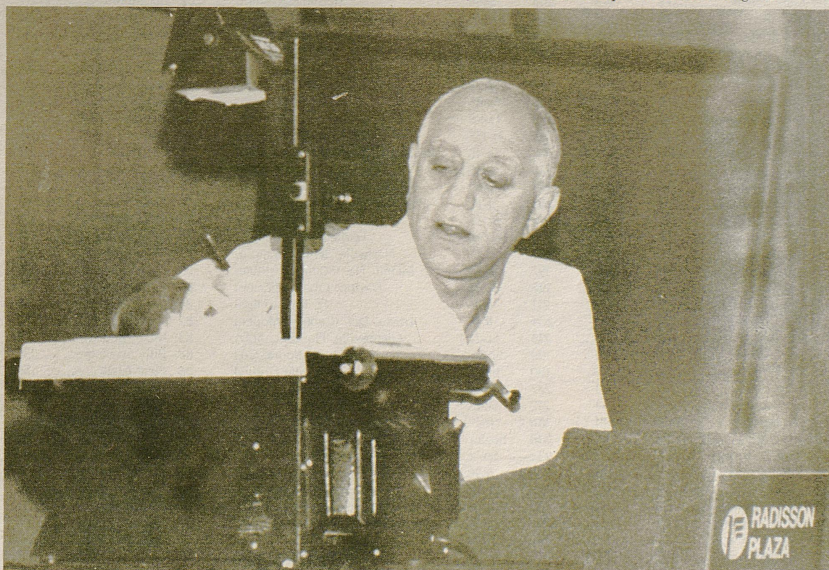
Kentucky's football team is better than a lot of people thought. The Wildcats' three SEC losses have come by a grand total of only 17 points—10 to Auburn, four to Alabama and three to LSU.

Mississippi State's **Rocky Felker** says he does not expect talented tailback **David Fair** to contribute this season. Rocky says the young player still isn't convinced his knee is as good as new following last season's major surgery on it.

Nine of Florida's last 14 games through its appearance against Georgia have been on national TV.

THE LAST WORD: Auburn's **Pat Dye**, chosen one of the "Ten College Coaches America Loves to Hate" on being told that winning is what makes other schools hate you:

"If that's the case I hope I'm hated a long time."



Jerry Tarkanian: It's not how you play that's important, but whether if you win or lose!

Kentucky travels to Knoxville to take on improved Volunteer club; winning campaign on line for 'Cats

As of last Monday afternoon University of Kentucky officials still were awaiting word on a possible shot at the Independence Bowl in Shreveport, La. Speculation has it that Texas El Paso has not wrapped up a bid opposite Southern Mississippi. And possibly, Jerry Claiborne's crew, despite the 24-19 setback to Florida, is still in the running for a postseason bid. Currently UK owns a 5-5 record, 2-4 in the SEC.

At this writing the Independence Bowl confirmed to *The Cats' Pause* that Kentucky was on its list of candidates along with Texas El Paso (9-2), Pittsburgh (6-3) and Wake Forest (6-4).

Kentucky-Tennessee

The Battle for the Beer Barrel! This is the 84th meeting on the gridiron between the University of Kentucky and the University of Tennessee. . . It is the longest and oldest series in UK football history. . . Tennessee leads 51-23-9 in all games. . . Series began in 1893 as Kentucky won 56-0 at Knoxville. . . Last season, the Vols withstood a UK rally for a 24-22 victory at Lexington. . . In games at Knoxville, Tennessee leads the series 27-10-6. . . The last victory by Kentucky in Knoxville was in 1984 as UK won 17-12 to secure a bid to the Hall of Fame Bowl.

About the Vols

Tennessee quarterback Jeff Francis engineered two, fourth-quarter touchdown drives to lead the Vols past Ole Miss 20-12 at Oxford in a steady rain. . . Tennessee trailed 10-0 after one period as the Rebels got a

43-yard field goal by Bryan Owen and a five-yard touchdown by Joe Mickles. . . Francis hit Alvin Harper with an 18-yard scoring toss in the third period to cut the deficit to 10-6. . . Mississippi cornerback Stevon Moore blocked the PAT by Chip McCallum and Reb tackle Tony Bennett returned the blocked kick 92 yards for the two-point play by the defensive unit on the PAT to make it 12-6. . . Greg Amsler scored from four yards with 10:37 left to play to give Tennessee the lead for good, 13-12. . . Vince Moore iced the contest for the Vols with a seven-yard run as only 4:52 remained to make it 20-12. . . Francis completed 21 of 35 passes for 235 yards. . . Tailback Reggie Cobb led the Vols with 111 yards on 13 carries. . . Tennessee's offensive formation: Pro Multiple. Tennessee's defensive formation: "50".

About Johnny Majors

Johnny Majors is in his 12th season as head football coach at the University of Tennessee. . . Is in his 21st season overall as a collegiate head coach. . . A 1957 graduate of Tennessee. . . Has led the Vols to seven consecutive bowl games, including a 1985 Southeastern Conference championship. . . Began head coaching career at Iowa State (1968-72) and compiled a 24-30-1 record. . . Spent four years at Pittsburgh (1973-76) and posted a 33-13-1 record with a national title (12-0-0) in 1976.

Claiborne on the Vols

Here's Kentucky head coach Jerry Claiborne's comments on the Tennessee

Volunteers: "Tennessee is our traditional rival. We've been playing since 1893, so it's been going on for quite a while. Tennessee has won three games in a row and have been playing very well lately. (Jeff) Francis is an outstanding quarterback and one of the best in the Southeastern Conference. We'll have to play one of our best games of the year to win at Knoxville."

UK-UT tidbits

□ Kentucky has three players from the state of Tennessee on its 1988 football roster: Free safety Ron Robinson (Nashville), split end Alfred Jones (Oak Ridge) and fullback Mike Knox (played high school football at Germantown High School).

□ Kentucky is the last team to beat Tennessee in the month of November. The Wildcats beat the Vols, 17-12, on Nov. 24, 1984, at Knoxville. UT has won 15 consecutive games in November against all teams.

□ Kentucky head coach Jerry Claiborne is 1-7 versus Tennessee (0-2 at Maryland, 1-5 at Kentucky).

□ Tennessee head coach Johnny Majors is 8-3 versus Kentucky, all at Tennessee.

□ Kentucky and Tennessee have met each season since 1918 (both teams did not field squads in 1943 due to World War II). In fact, the Wildcats and Volunteers met twice in 1944 with Tennessee winning both.

Wildcat Tidbits

The 10 Kentucky opponents in 1988 (Central Michigan, Auburn, Indiana, Kent State,

Alabama, LSU, Georgia, Southern Illinois, Vanderbilt and Florida) have posted an impressive combined record of 60-37-1 (a 61.7 winning percentage) through games of Nov. 12.

□ Overall, the 11 Kentucky opponents have combined to produce a 63-43-1 record (a 59.3 winning percentage) through games of Nov. 12.

□ Entering the 1988 season, the NCAA Statistics Service gave Kentucky the dubious distinction of playing the country's toughest NCAA I-A schedule.

□ In its last seven games, Kentucky has outscored opponents 81-17 (11.6 to 2.4) in the first half.

□ Kentucky has allowed but three points in the first quarter all season, that came on an 18-yard field goal by Chris Dickinson of Auburn.

□ Kentucky now has scored in 32 consecutive games. The last time Kentucky was shutout came during the 1985 season (42-0 versus Tennessee in Lexington).

□ Linebacker Randy Holleran continues on his double-digit tackle streak. Holleran, a sophomore, has started but 11 games during his career but has averaged an impressive 14.2 tackles per start (156). His first collegiate start came against Florida in 1987 as he posted 11 tackles. Through 10 games in 1988, Holleran leads UK with 145 tackles (14.5 average), including career-highs of 18 versus LSU, Georgia and Vanderbilt.

(Kentucky-Tennessee information by University of Kentucky assistant sports information director Joey Howard).

1988 University Of Kentucky football roster

Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown (High School)/JC	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown (High School)/JC
1 Jeff Nelson	P	5-10	165	Sr-IL	Florence (Boone Co.)	52 Scott Booth	OG	6-3	274	Jr-JC	Bradenton, Fla. (NE Miss. CC)
2 Gary Willis	FS-CB	6-1	172	Fr-RS	Gainesville, Fla. (Buchholz)	53 Matt Brannum	C	6-1	238	Fr-HS	Florence (Boone Co.)
3 Alfred Jones	SE	6-4	180	Jr-JC	Oak Ridge, Tenn. (NE Oklahoma)	54 T.J. Maynard	C	6-4	257	Fr-HS	Flatwoods (Russell)
4 Glenn Fohr	QB	6-2	214	Sr-IL	Phillipsburgh, N.J. (Hudson Valley JC)	55 Travis Hahn	OG	6-2	246	Fr-HS	Louisville (St. Xavier)
5 Al Baker	TB	5-11	225	So-Sq.	Cadiz (Trigg Co.)	56 Derrick Thomas	LB	6-2	228	Fr-RS	Lexington (Bryan Station)
6 Tony Massey	DE	6-2	221	Jr-2L	Somerset (Pulaski Co.)	57 Mike Cahill	LB	6-0	233	Sr-Sq.	Louisville (St. Xavier)
7 Eric Green	TB	6-0	193	Jr-Sq.	Cincinnati, Ohio (Forest Park)	58 Steve Kelley	LB	6-2	228	So-Sq.	Hopkinsville (High)
8 Ron Mack	CB	5-10	188	Sr-3L	Lexington (Tates Creek)	59 Steve Kelley	LB	6-2	235	Fr-RS	Louisville (Fairdale)
9 Ken Willis	PK	5-11	184	Jr-IL	Owensboro (Centre College)	60 Courtney Longacre	C	6-2	257	So-Sq.	Morganfield (Union Co.)
11 Mark Sellers	FS	6-3	204	Sr-IL	Louisville (Eastern)	61 Bill Hulet	OG	6-2	267	Sr-Sq.	Lexington (Henry Clay)
12 Bill Allen	QB	6-0	201	Sr-Sq.	West Liberty (Morgan Co.)	62 Bo Smith	OT	6-3	267	Sr-Sq.	Lexington (Henry Clay)
13 Tim Smith	TB-SE	6-1	196	Sr-Sq.	Whitesburg (High)	63 Joel Mazzella	OG	6-1	259	So-Sq.	Parkersburg, W.Va. (High)
14 Chuck Broughton	QB	6-4	228	Sr-Sq.	Ashland (Blazer)	64 David Crane	C	6-2	254	Jr-Sq.	Louisville (Trinity)
15 Sterling Ward	CB	5-11	167	Fr-HS	Lexington (Bryan Station)	65 Chuck Bradley	OT	6-5	265	Fr-HS	Louisville (Fern Creek)
16 Jay Tesar	P	6-0	184	Sr-2L	Vine Grove (North Hardin)	66 Brian Denham	OG	6-1	254	Sr-Sq.	Winchester (Clark Co.)
17 Larry Jackson	CB	5-11	196	Fr-RS	Mayfield (High)	67 Brian Cralle	C	6-1	280	Jr-Sq.	Elizabethtown (High)
18 Freddie Maggard	QB	6-2	220	Fr-RS	Cumberland (High)	68 Todd Perry	OG	6-4	252	Fr-HS	Elizabethtown (North Hardin)
19 Ryan Hockman	QB	6-2	185	Fr-HS	Harrison, Ohio (High)	69 Tom Crumrine*	OG	6-4	276	Jr-Sq.	Westertown, Ohio (North)
20 Chris Tolbert	CB	5-11	182	So-IL	Pensacola, Fla. (B.T. Washington)	70 Shawn Evans	DT	6-6	240	Fr-RS	Richmond (Madison Central)
21 Doug Pelfrey	PK	5-11	170	Fr-HS	Edgewood (Middlesboro)	71 Greg Lahr	OT	6-4	257	Fr-HS	Pickerington, Ohio (High)
22 Greg Hunt	SE	6-0	189	Fr-RS	Richmond, Va. (Fork Union)	72 Jim Graves	DT	6-6	245	Fr-RS	Lexington (Henry Clay/Tenn. Military)
23 Alfred Rawls	TB	5-11	201	Jr-JC	Pitts, Ga. (NE Oklahoma A&M)	73 Chris Reedy	OG	6-2	223	Fr-HS	Elizabethtown (High)
24 David Johnson	CB	6-1	190	Sr-3L	Louisville (Male)	74 Dean Wilks	SN-OG	6-3	292	So-IL	Proctorville, Ohio (Fairland)
25 Steve Phillips	FL	6-2	203	So-Sq.	Fairfield, Ohio (High)	75 Mike Pfeifer*	OT	6-7	290	Jr-2L	Louisville (Trinity)
26 Ron Robinson	FS	6-1	189	Jr-2L	Nashville, Tenn. (Stratford)	76 Mike Nord	OT	6-7	278	So-Sq.	Louisville (St. Xavier)
27 Tony Missick	CB	6-0	197	Jr-JC	Miami, Fla. (Marion Institute)	77 Mike Jones	OT	6-0	255	Sr-Sq.	London (Beechwood)
28 Ray Gover	FL	6-3	196	Sr-3L	Dayton, Ohio (Jefferson)	78 Oliver Barnett	DT	6-3	285	Jr-2L	Louisville (Jeffersonton)
29 Darren Bilberry	FB	6-2	211	Jr-IL	Ft. Knox (High)	80 Phil Logan	FL	6-2	203	So-IL	Louisville (Holly Cross)
30 Tony Zigman	DE	6-2	204	Jr-1L	Lewes, Del. (Cape Hanlopen)	81 Jim Wetta	SE	6-2	195	Sr-Sq.	Wellington, Kan. (Hutchinson JC)
32 Ivy Joe Hunter	TB	6-0	218	Sr-2L	Gainesville, Fla. (Buchholz)	82 John Bolden	SE	6-0	172	So-IL	Louisville (Male)
33 Bill Shehan	FL	5-11	190	Sr-Sq.	Florence (Boone Co.)	83 Mike Meece	TE	6-6	227	So-Sq.	Madeira, Ohio (High)
34 Todd Meyer	CB	5-9	180	Jr-Sq.	Louisville (Trinity)	84 Billy Swanson	DE	6-0	216	So-Sq.	Paducah (Tilghman)
35 Andy Murray	FB	6-1	237	Jr-2L	Louisville (Trinity)	85 Neal Clark	SE	5-9	165	Fr-RS	Paducah (Tilghman)
36 Jay Dorch	DE	6-1	212	Sr-2L	Paducah (Tilghman)	86 Daniel Schulz	DG	6-1	229	Fr-HS	Lexington (Lafayette)
37 Albert Burks	CB	5-11	186	Jr-JC	Monroe, La. (Hinds CC)	87 Martin Pennington	TE	6-2	226	Sr-3L	Corbin (High)
39 Jeff Brady	DE	6-1	230	So-Sq.	Melbourne (Newport Catholic)	88 Charlie Darrington	TE	6-3	224	Sr-IL	Tifton, Ga. (NE Oklahoma A&M)
40 Randy Holleran	LB	6-1	233	So-IL	Melbourne (Newport Catholic)	89 Lane Vargo	FB	5-11	200	Fr-RS	Akron, Ohio (St. Vincent)
41 Rodney Shepard	FB	5-11	235	Jr-JC	Melbourne (Newport Catholic)	90 Mike Chism	DG	6-0	262	Jr-Sq.	LaGrange (Oldham)
42 Dean Wadsworth	DE	6-2	220	Fr-HS	Brooklyn, N.Y. (Nassau CC)	91 Daniel Lee	DT	6-5	244	Fr-RS	Marianna, Fla. (Cottondale)
43 Chris Connery	CB	5-10	185	Jr-Sq.	Louisville (Holy Cross)	92 Vic Adams	DG	6-1	269	Jr-2L	Middlesboro (High)
44 Craig Benzinger	LB	6-1	221	Jr-1L	Rochester, Mich. (High)	93 Patrick Porter	TE	6-3	221	So-Sq.	Flemingsburg (Fleming Co.)
45 Chris Chenault	LB	6-2	240	Sr-3L	Stone Mountain, Ga. (Clarkston)	94 Carlos Phillips	LB	6-1	216	So-Sq.	Owensboro (High)
47 Jay Amshoff	LB	6-0	208	Sr-Sq.	Lexington (Henry Clay)	95 Mike Meiners	DG	6-2	261	Jr-Sq.	Louisville (St. Xavier)
48 Joey Couch	DT	6-1	229	Fr-RS	Louisville (St. Xavier)	96 Donnie Gardner	DT	6-4	236	Jr-2L	Louisville (Trinity)
49 Mike Knox	FB	5-10	209	Jr-Sq.	Hager Hill (Paintsville)	97 Chuck Latimer	DT	6-5	242	Fr-HS	Lorain, Ohio (Admiral King)
50 Kevin Disotelle	OG	6-3	255	Fr-RS	Louisville (Germantown)	98 Jerry Bell	DG	6-3	284	Fr-RS	Louisville (DeSales)
51 Scott Rayburn	OG	6-3	241	So-Sq.	Houston, Texas (Northshore)	99 Doug Huxter	DT	6-4	241	Jr-2L	Aliquippa, Pa. (Central)

*Injured, expected to miss remainder of the season.

Kentucky depth chart

OFFENSE

Split end

- 82 John Bolden (6-0, 172, So.)
3 Alfred Jones (6-4, 180, Jr.)

Left tackle

- 76 Mike Nord (6-7, 278, So.)
62 Bo Smith (6-3, 267, Sr.)

Left guard

- 74 Dean Wilks (6-3, 292, So.)
66 Brian Denham (6-1, 254, Sr.)

Center

- 67 Brian Cralle (6-1, 280, Jr.)
64 David Crane (6-2, 254, Jr.)

Right guard

- 63 Joel Mazzella (6-1, 259, So.)
61 Bill Hulette (6-2, 257, So.)

Right tackle

- 62 Bo Smith (6-3, 267, Sr.)
71 Greg Lahr (6-4, 243, Jr.)

Tight end

- 88 Charlie Darrington (6-3, 224, Sr.)
83 Mike Meece (6-6, 227, So.)

Quarterback

- 4 Glenn Fohr (6-2, 214, Sr.)
14 Chuck Broughton (6-4, 228, Jr.)

Fullback

- 35 Andy Murray (6-1, 237, Jr.)
29 Darren Bilberry (6-2, 211, Jr.)

Tailback

- 32 Ivy Joe Hunter (6-0, 218, Sr.)
5 Al Baker (5-11, 225, So.)

Flanker

- 28 Ray Gover (6-3, 196, Sr.)
80 Phil Logan (6-2, 203, So.)

Kicker

- 9 Ken Willis (5-11, 184, Jr.)

DEFENSE

Left end

- 6 Tony Massey (6-2, 221, Jr.)
30 Tony Zigman (6-2, 204, Jr.)

Left tackle

- 79 Oliver Barnett (6-3, 285, Jr.)
72 Jim Graves (6-6, 245, Fr.)

Left guard

- 98 Jerry Bell (6-3, 284 Fr.)
95 Mike Meiners (6-2, 261, Jr.)

Right guard

- 92 Vic Adams (6-1, 269, Jr.)
48 Joey Couch (6-1, 229, Fr.)

Right tackle

- 96 Donnie Gardner (6-1, 190, Sr.)
99 Doug Houser (6-4, 241, Jr.)

Right end

- 36 Jay Dortch (6-1, 212, Sr.)
30 Tony Zigman (6-2, 221, Jr.)

Left linebacker

- 45 Chris Chenault (6-2, 240, Sr.)
40 Randy Holleran (6-1, 233, So.)

Right linebacker

- 40 Randy Holleran (6-1, 233, So.)
44 Craig Benzinger (6-1, 221, Jr.)

Left cornerback

- 24 David Johnson (6-1, 190, Sr.)
27 Tony Missick (6-0, 197, Jr.)

Free safety

- 26 Ron Robinson (6-1, 189, Jr.)
8 Ron Mack (5-10, 188, Sr.)

Right cornerback

- 20 Chris Tolbert (5-11, 182, So.)
37 Albert Burks (6-0, 185, Jr.)

Punter

- 16 Jay Tesar (6-0, 184, Sr.)

Tennessee depth chart

OFFENSE

Tight end

- 3 Nate Middlebrooks (6-2, 230, Sr.)
83 Mark Adams (6-3, 225, Fr.)

Left tackle

- 67 Kevin Simons (6-3, 280, Sr.)
69 Mike Rapien (6-5, 240, So.)

Left guard

- 78 Antone Davis (6-4, 290, So.)
65 Patrick Lenior (6-5, 265, Fr.)

Center

- 51 John Fisher (6-4, 260, Fr.)
56 Chad Goodin (5-11, 260, Jr.)

Right guard

- 79 Eric Still (6-3, 275, Jr.)
73 Doug Baird (6-3, 270, So.)

Right tackle

- 63 Phil Stuart (6-5, 280, Sr.)
59 Mike Stowell (6-4, 280, Fr.)

Split end

- 5 Thomas Woods (5-10, 165, Jr.)
80 Anthony Morgan (6-1, 200, So.)

Quarterback

- 19 Jeff Francis (6-4, 210, Sr.)
8 Andy Kelly (6-2, 195, Fr.)

Wingback

- 81 Alvin Harper (6-3, 190, So.)
4 Terence Cleveland ((5-8, 150, Jr.)

Tailback

- 34 Reggie Cobb (6-0, 210, So.)
28 Keith Davis (5-11, 200, Sr.)

Fullback

- 85 John Rollins (6-1, 220, Sr.)
42 Roland Poles (6-0, 250, So.)

Kicker

- 10 Chip McCallum (5-10, 165, Fr.)

DEFENSE

Left outside linebacker

- 99 Kacy Rodgers (6-3, 235, Fr.)
87 Darryl Hardy (6-2, 210, Fr.)

Left tackle

- 74 Mark Moore (6-3, 240, So.)
93 David Johnson (6-3, 240, Sr.)

Left inside linebacker

- 33 Keith DeLong (6-2, 220, Sr.)
45 Shon Walker (6-2, 205, Fr.)

Middle guard

- 66 Martin Williams (6-1, 280, Jr.)
53 Carey Bailey (6-0, 258, Fr.)

Right inside linebacker

- 23 Ernest Fields (5-10, 225, Fr.)
40 Shazzon Bradley (6-2, 235, Fr.)

Right tackle

- 90 Marion Hobby (6-4, 265, Jr.)
77 David Dodson (6-5, 234, Fr.)

Right outside linebacker

- 88 Tracy Hayworth (6-2, 230, Jr.)
46 Eric Riffer (6-3, 210, Fr.)

Left cornerback

- 21 Preston Warren (6-0, 186, So.)
22 Floyd Miley (5-10, 195, Fr.)

Strong safety

- 30 Cedric Kline (6-0, 200, Jr.)
38 Chris Treece (5-11, 195, So.)

Free safety

- 6 Tony Nelson (6-0, 179, Sr.)
39 Kelly Days (6-1, 180, So.)

Right cornerback

- 25 Jeremy Lincoln (5-10, 160, So.)
36 Mark Fletcher (5-11, 185, Fr.)

Punter

- 18 Kent Elmore (6-2, 180, Jr.)

1988 University of Tennessee football roster

Table listing 1988 University of Tennessee football roster with columns for Player, Pos., Ht., Wt., Cl., Hometown, and other statistics.

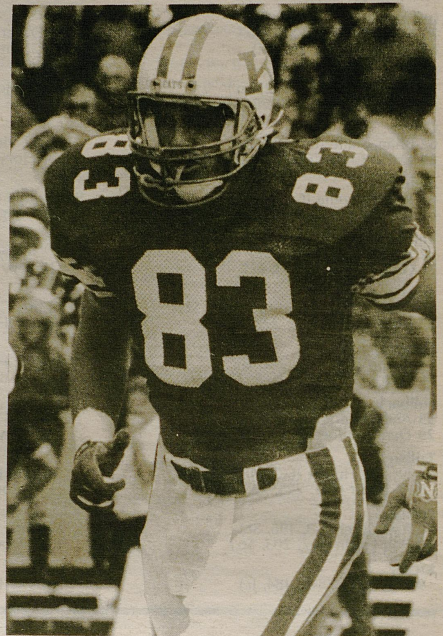
KENTUCKY FOOTBALL STATISTICS

Team Stats

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TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	158
By Rushing.....	79
By Passing.....	67
By Penalty.....	12
NET YARDS RUSHING	1360
Ave. Net Per Game.....	136.00
Rushing Attempts.....	399
Avg. Gain Per Rush.....	3.41
NET YARDS PASSING	1583
Ave. Net Per Game.....	158.30
Avg. Net Per Attempt.....	6.11
Passes Attempted.....	259
Passes Completed.....	120
Had Intercepted.....	16
TOTAL OFFENSIVE YARDS	2938
Avg. Net Per Game.....	293.80
Total Plays.....	658
Avg. Plays Per Game.....	65.80
Avg. Gain Per Play.....	4.47
PUNTING AVERAGE	35.86
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	7.47
KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE	21.19
PENALTY YARDS PER GAME	54.10
FUMBLE'S LOST	11
TOUCHDOWNS	23
By Rushing.....	17
By Passing.....	5
By Return.....	1
TOTAL POINTS	193
Points Per Game.....	19.30

Opponent

155
95
53
7
1770
17700
469
3.77
1253
125.30
5.88
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107
10
3023
302.30
682
68.20
4.43
35.60
5.77
22.18
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22
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180
18.00



Kentucky's Mike Meece

Individual Rushing: Top 5

PLAYER	G	CAR	YDS	AVG	TD	YDSPG
Alfred Rawls.....	10	90	449	5.0	7	44.90
Ivy Joe Hunter.....	10	124	426	3.4	6	42.60
Al Baker.....	10	79	342	4.3	3	34.20
Andy Murray.....	10	26	96	3.7	1	9.60
Darren Bilberry.....	10	6	22	3.7	0	2.20

Individual Receiving: Top 5

PLAYER	G	RECP	YDS	TD	CTPG	CT.AVG
Ivy Joe Hunter.....	10	17	160	0	1.70	9.41
Ray Gover.....	10	16	215	1	1.60	13.44
Phil Logan.....	10	14	258	2	1.40	18.43
Alfred Jones.....	9	13	186	0	1.30	14.31
John Bolden.....	10	12	232	1	1.20	19.30

Field Goals

PLAYER	G	FGA	FG	PCT	FGPG
Ken Willis.....	10	17	11	0.65	1.10

Punting

PLAYER	NO	AVG	G	YDS
Jeff Nelson.....	33	41.06	8	1355
Jay Tesar.....	20	36.40	10	728

Punt Returns

PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	AVG	G	PGM
Chris Tolbert.....	30	234	0	7.80	10	3.00
Tony Missick.....	1	4	0	4.00	10	0.10
Doug Houser.....	1	1	0	1.00	10	0.10

Kickoff Returns: Top 5

PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	AVG	G	PGM
Ivy Joe Hunter.....	11	257	0	23.36	10	1.10
Alfred Rawls.....	8	176	0	22.00	10	0.80
Chris Tolbert.....	3	56	0	18.67	10	0.30
Ray Gover.....	1	26	0	26.0	10	0.10
Albert Burks.....	1	23	0	23.0	10	0.10

Individual Passing

PLAYER	G	ATT	CMP	PCT	INT	YDS	YPA	TD	RATING
Bill Allen.....	2	2	2	100.0	0	16	8.00	0	167.20
Glenn Fohr.....	10	196	90	45.92	12	1244	6.35	5	95.41
Chuck Broughton.....	8	60	28	46.67	4	318	5.30	0	77.85
Andy Murray.....	10	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0

Scoring: Top 5

PLAYER	G	TD	XP	FG	PTS	PPG	FGA	XPA
Ken Willis.....	10	0	18	11	51	5.10	17	20
Alfred Rawls.....	10	7	0	0	42	4.20	0	0
Ivy Joe Hunter.....	10	6	0	0	36	3.60	0	0
Al Baker.....	10	3	0	0	18	1.80	0	0
Andy Murray.....	10	2	0	0	12	1.2	0	0

Interceptions

PLAYER	G	NO	YDS	TD	IPG
Jay Dortch.....	10	2	0	0	0.20
Donnie Gardner.....	10	1	4	0	0.10
Albert Burks.....	10	1	0	0	0.10
David Johnson.....	10	1	4	0	0.10
Tony Massey.....	10	1	-3	0	0.10
Tony Zigman.....	10	1	3	0	0.10
Randy Holleran.....	10	1	29	0	0.10
Chris Chenault.....	10	1	14	0	0.10
Chris Tolbert.....	10	1	0	0	0.10

Schedule/Results

UK	Opp.
18.....	Central Michigan.....7
10.....	at Auburn.....20
15.....	at Indiana.....36
38.....	Kent State.....14
27.....	Alabama.....31
12.....	at LSU.....15
16.....	Georgia.....10
24.....	Southern Illinois.....10
14.....	Vanderbilt.....13
19.....	Florida.....24
Nov. 19.....	at Tennessee



TENNESSEE FOOTBALL STATISTICS

Team Stats

	Tennessee	Opponent
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS.....	174	185
By Rushing.....	75	98
By Passing.....	87	79
By Penalty.....	12	8
NET YARDS RUSHING.....	1153	1727
Ave. Net Per Game.....	128.11	191.89
Rushing Attempts.....	348	374
Avg. Gain Per Rush.....	3.31	4.62
NET YARDS PASSING.....	1884	1957
Avg. Net Per Game.....	209.33	217.44
Avg. Net Per Attempt.....	6.78	8.19
Passes Attempted.....	278	239
Passes Completed.....	162	149
Had Intercepted.....	8	9
TOTAL OFFENSIVE YARDS.....	3037	3684
Avg. Net Per Game.....	337.44	409.33
Total Plays.....	626	613
Avg. Plays Per Game.....	69.56	68.11
Avg. Gain Per Play.....	4.85	6.01
PUNTING AVERAGE.....	42.09	39.65
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE.....	12.73	6.21
KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE.....	21.76	16.55
PENALTY YARDS PER GAME.....	50.00	74.44
FUMBLES LOST.....	12	8
TOUCHDOWNS.....	21	33
By Rushing.....	9	17
By Passing.....	9	15
By Return.....	3	1
TOTAL POINTS.....	165	251
Points Per Game.....	18.33	27.89



Tennessee's Johnny Majors

Individual Rushing: Top 5

PLAYER	G	CAR	YDS	AVG	TD	YDSPG
Reggie Cobb.....	8	118	547	4.6	3	68.38
Tony Thompson.....	4	44	193	4.4	2	48.25
Greg Amsler.....	3	18	70	3.9	1	23.33
Keith Davis.....	9	28	98	3.5	0	10.89
Keith Denson.....	7	13	68	5.2	0	9.71

Individual Receiving: Top 5

PLAYER	G	RECP	YDS	TD	CTPG	CT.AVG
Thomas Woods.....	9	39	550	3	4.33	14.10
Alvin Harper.....	9	28	294	3	3.11	10.50
Reggie Cobb.....	8	17	126	0	2.13	7.41
Greg Amsler.....	3	5	35	0	1.67	7.00
Terrence Cleveland.....	9	12	211	0	1.33	17.58

Field Goals

PLAYER	G	FGA	FG	PCT	FGPG
Chip McCallum.....	8	16	7	0.44	0.88
Adam Epstein.....	5	2	1	0.50	0.20

Punting

PLAYER	NO	AVG	G	YDS
Kent Elmore.....	37	43.19	9	1598
Andy Kelly.....	9	37.56	9	338

Punt Returns

PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	AVG	G	PGM
Preston Warren.....	1	22	0	22.00	9	0.11
Thomas Woods.....	14	169	1	12.07	9	1.56

Kickoff Returns: Top 5

PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	AVG	G	PGM
Anthony Morgan.....	24	580	0	24.17	9	2.67
Keith Davis.....	10	187	0	18.70	9	1.11
Keith Denson.....	1	17	0	17.00	7	0.14
Terrence Cleveland.....	1	12	0	12.00	9	0.11
Thomas Woods.....	1	9	0	9.00	9	0.11

Individual Passing

PLAYER	G	ATT	CMP	PCT	INT	YDS	YPA	TD	RATING
Jeff Francis.....	9	252	147	58.33	8	1786	7.09	9	123.30
Andy Kelly.....	9	25	15	60.00	0	98	3.92	0	92.93

Scoring: Top 5

PLAYER	G	TD	XP	FG	PTS	PPG	FGA	XPA
Chip McCallum.....	8	0	8	7	29	3.63	16	9
Tony Thompson.....	4	2	1	0	14	3.50	0	0
Thomas Woods.....	9	4	0	0	24	2.67	0	0
Reggie Cobb.....	8	3	1	0	20	2.50	0	0
Alvin Harper.....	9	3	0	0	18	2.00	0	0

Interceptions

PLAYER	G	NO	YDS	TD	IPG
Preston Warren.....	9	5	115	2	0.56
Keith DeLong.....	9	2	9	0	0.22
Kelly Days.....	9	1	0	0	0.11
Cedric Kline.....	9	1	0	0	0.11

Schedule/Results

Tennessee	Opp.	
17.....	at Georgia.....	28
26.....	Duke.....	31
9.....	LSU.....	34
6.....	at Auburn.....	38
24.....	Washington State.....	52
20.....	Alabama.....	28
38.....	at Memphis State.....	25
10.....	Boston College.....	7
20.....	at Ole Miss.....	12
Nov. 19.....	Kentucky.....	
Nov. 26.....	at Vanderbilt.....	

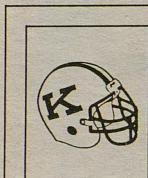


TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS

Foiled again by those boys in the striped shirts

Recruiting season almost in high gear

The wheels rolled off the Wildcat Bowl Express and the train came to a screeching halt Saturday. A crowd of 50,000 or so fans witnessed the Florida Gators taking the wind out of the bowl-minded fans' sails with a 24-19 win.



Unknown Fan
from Section 213
Cats' Pause Columnist

It was known going into the game that the Gators possessed one of the best defenses in the nation. As a result, the 'Cats showed a very anemic offense.

This writer was on record as having expressed the importance of UK applying all its energies in striving for a winning season. I felt the priorities of the team would get displaced and, admittedly, some of the players verified this Saturday. They stated they had put too much pressure on themselves to go to a bowl rather than concentrating on Florida. Fortunately, the possibility of a winning season still looms as a reachable dream and now maybe the 'Cats will put full concentration on doing just that.

Their was a titanic defensive struggle in progress deep into the third quarter when an ill-fated call from the officials turned the game around. Sure, the 'Cats made their share of mistakes, but I challenge any team to go out and

play a mistake-free football game. All too often against SEC competition, it appears that UK has to do so win.

There are more times than I would like to think about when an untimely call or no-call seems to take the 'Cats out of a game. Oops, I almost forgot again: Good babies don't cry.

AGAIN I SAY, NONSENSE. When it appeared the 'Cats had snuffed out a Florida scoring threat at the UK 11, the hammer disguised as a yellow flag fell again. Chris Chenault had picked up a fumble and was celebrating with his teammates. But hold it, there was the flag on the field, some 20 yards away from the action. UK was called for defensive holding. This allowed Florida to retain possession and score on the next play on a five-yard run by Emmitt Smith.

The Gators went ahead 7-6 and from that point on the UK defense was rendered leaky, and almost understandably so. It is this and other similar phenomena that constantly seem to plague the 'Cats.

So many times after a big play, offensively or defensively, things like this keep popping up. OK, so be it, because without benefit of the replay the pros enjoy, it cannot be reversed. But all too often some wiseheimer (an Adolph Rupp nickname for a know-it-all) calls in to attack our intelligence as football fans or question the legitimacy or justification of our complaints. Allow me to indulge you with some case scenarios:

• *Hello, you out there in Radio Land. You shouldn't be complaining about that first-quarter call on you because this third-quarter call on the other team is less legitimate.*

• *Hello, you out there in TV Land. You shouldn't be complaining about this fourth-quarter no-call when you were not called for this back in the first quarter.*

What is it with these wiseheimers? Are football fans not allowed to complain about bad officiating that continues to be one of the stumbling blocks to the success of this team? Once again, I challenge UK fans to use every feasible resource available to combat this. Jerry Claiborne is an honorable man who develops honorable football players who by and large have their priorities in order. Their work ethic can never be called into question and they deserve a better fate.

□ **EVEN THE BEST COACHES** will tell you that the lifeblood of any team is its recruiting of quality players. We are once again nearing the heavy season in football recruiting and it is all-important to be able to sign as many of the top players in the state of Kentucky as possible. Here are a few names of interest:

- QB Paul Hladon: 6-3 195 Covington Catholic
- QB Jeff Brohm: 6-2 190 Louisville Trinity
- RB Aaron Payne: 5-8 185 Louisville Holy Cross (state 100-meter dash record-holder, 10.53)
- RB Eric Carter: 6-1 185 Louisville Male
- RB Darryl Eckols: 6-0 180 Bowling Green
- RB Michael Penman: 5-10 190 Lincoln County
- RB Rioscoe Graves: 6-3 210 Louisville Wiegner
- RB Jason Willoughby: 6-0 175 Henderson County
- RB Bobby Duramus: 6-0 205 Pikeville
- RB Lee Hayden: 5-11 180 Louisville Fairdale
- DBSE Brian Evans: 5-11 180 Louisville Pleasure Ridge Park
- S Doug Calhoun: 6-5 200 Henderson County
- TE Terry Samuels: 6-2 225 Louisville Male (starting forward on basketball team and excellent athlete)
- TE/SE William Pollard: 6-6 210 Ft. Knox (second in state of Kansas last year in 100-meter dash, 10.4)
- LB Tad Brown: 6-2 210 Louisville St. Xavier
- L Jason Dombrowski: 6-3 250 Louisville Trinity
- L Casey Duncan: 6-3 250 Hopkinsville
- C Wesley Jackson: 6-4 237 Louisville Manual
- L Chris Deaton: 6-4 255 Paintsville

This year the 'Cats have only about 22 scholarships to give, so extreme selectivity will have to be exercised.

Are the 'Cats completely out of the bowl picture? See you in Knoxville, and let's smash those Tennessee Vols.

SEC basketball more competitive now than ever

Look for tightest race in history in '89

The 1988 Southeastern Conference basketball race was the tightest in history, and in 1989, may be even tighter.

When the SEC was organized in the winter of 1932-33, the first championship under competition was basketball.



Scoop Hudgins
Cats' Pause Columnist

Thirteen teams composed the membership then, Sewanee, Georgia Tech and Tulane besides the 10 all-timers.

Results of the first season show Kentucky with an 8-0 record for a perfect 1.000 percentage and Sewanee 0-7 for .000, complete failure. The difference between the top team of the SEC and the bottom was infinite.

The same situation existed in '34, but in '35 Kentucky's 11-0 mark was equalled, or surpassed, by LSU, with a 12-0 record, while Sewanee was 1-7 and Tulane 1-16. The top-to-bottom difference was .941.

SEWANEE WITHDREW AFTER the 1940 season, and in '41 Kentucky was 8-1 and Ole Miss 2-15, which reduced the top (.889) to bottom (.118) to .771. In 1950, with Kentucky (11-2) and Ole Miss (4-13), it dropped to .611, and in 1961, when Mississippi State was tops (11-3)

and Tennessee and Georgia tied at 4-10, the difference was cut exactly in half, to .500. Two decades later, we are working on reducing the second half.

In 1983, Kentucky won with 13-5 (.722), and Florida reversed the count, 5-13 for .278, a difference of .444.

But last season, with the Wildcats again 13-5, the three bottom teams—Ole Miss, Mississippi State and Alabama—won one-third of their SEC games for a percentage of .333, which cut the top-to-bottom difference to .389.

SEC BASKETBALL COMPETITION is becoming more and more intense.

Mississippi teams, Florida and Georgia are getting more players capable of competing with the Kentucky national-level teams. LSU, Tennessee and Vanderbilt, close for many years, are coming closer.

Ed Murphy, coach at Ole Miss, or Richard Williams at Mississippi State, may teach the game just as well as Ed-

die Sutton or Dale Brown.

As basketball progressed in the SEC, Kentucky, and sometimes LSU, Mississippi State, Vanderbilt, Tennessee or Alabama, played the conference schedule to prepare for the NCAA tournament.

As our teams grew stronger, and more became capable of competing at the national level, after the regular SEC season we used the conference tournament to fine-tune the top-half teams for the NCAA tournament.

Previously, we have used the December portion of the overall schedule for holiday tournaments and to gain some TV exposure with national teams in other areas. And to add some wins to balance the anticipated SEC losses.

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Oscar Combs

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years.

A victory would have assured UK of a postseason bowl and such an event would have been a welcomed relief to all the basketball miseries of the past six months.

Kentucky has another opportunity left to salvage a good season if the Wildcats can get up for arch-rival Tennessee in Knoxville this Saturday.

A victory would give UK its first winning campaign (6-5) since 1984 when the 'Cats defeated Wisconsin in the Hall of Fame Bowl.

A win also would make a decision easier for Dr. Roselle, who must do something about Jerry Claiborne's contract in the next few weeks. Claiborne's contract is up after next fall and recruiting is seriously hampered when a coach has to recruit with less than a year left.

Even if UK should lose, don't look for Roselle to can Claiborne or even think about it. The only decision is whether to do business as usual or give him an extended contract. The latter would meet with unanimous approval if the 'Cats could whip the Vols.

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Perhaps it's unfair to have to be talking about the situations we have been in this column while almost ignoring what would have been the lead story had not this

NCAA investigation come up, but that's just the way it is.

A year ago, everyone around Kentucky was looking forward to this weekend and the Hall of Fame Tipoff Classic against Duke in Springfield, Mass.

The two schools tipped off the 1979-80 season in a thrilling overtime win by Duke. It was to be a rematch. ESPN is carrying the game live and at the time UK appeared to have the likes of Rex Chapman, Eric Manuel, Shawn Kemp, and Sean Woods to go with the current roster and take on the team many believe is the finest in the country.

Kentucky is a skeleton of itself. With all the defections, academic casualties and NCAA problems, now UK finds itself going without its floor general, Sean Sutton, who is still mending from the injury he sustained a couple weeks ago.

It could be the mismatch of the year.

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HITS AND MISSES . . . In Atlanta last week, reporters and broadcasters voted Kentucky to finish fifth in the league this winter with Georgia, Florida and Tennessee being the top trio. No Kentucky player was voted on the league's preseason all-conference team . . . Names who could be possible replacements if UK should make some big changes are beginning to pop up. Names like **Dan Issel**, former UK assistant **Dick Parsons**, Georgia Tech athletics director and

former UK football assistant **Homer Rice** and Vanderbilt coach **C.M. Newton** have all been mentioned as a possible replacement for **Cliff Hagan**. And what if there should be a new basketball coach? At least one insider said **Dr. David Roselle** really likes Duke coach **Mike Krzyzewski**, the fella who will be coaching against the Wildcats this Saturday. Another name has been North Carolina Charlotte coach **Jeff Mullins**, another Duke product who went to high school here in Lexington and graduated from Lafayette. Mullins is expected to have his best team yet in Charlotte this winter, but the 49ers now have to compete with the new Charlotte Hornets of the NBA and it could be that Mullins might want to coach in a pure college environment . . . Attending the SEC Media Days in Atlanta last week was former UK coach **Joe B. Hall**, who will be a color analyst this season for **Jefferson-Pilot's** "SEC Game of the Week" telecasts. Seated among other reporters during the press conferences with coaches, Hall was playing the role of a television reporter doing his homework when a couple other workers glanced toward him as **Eddie Sutton** told the massive gathering he (Sutton) didn't want "to be the recipient of past sins" as the NCAA decides UK's fate over 18 allegations of misconduct. It was obvious to everyone that Sutton was referring to the Joe B. Hall era, a comment Hall confided privately he didn't appreciate.

Florida 24, UK 19

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defensive back Louis Oliver was blocked out of bounds by his own man in the third quarter after picking off a Fohr pass.

Just prior to Oliver's unexpected twist in the wind UK's Doug Houser blocked a punt. But that, too, was wasted.

The afternoon's most amusing play came on Alfred Rawls' "Wrong Way" kickoff return. Alfred fielded the kickoff a yard deep in the end zone, ignored Logan's plea to down the ball and then ran it back to the one. But then he beat a retreat to the goal again before finally getting back to the Kentucky six.

Then there was Tolbert's muff, the bobble by Morris and a mini-brawl at the end of the game after Massey's recovery of Willis' on-side kick.

As brawls go, it was a Bell-ringer. Bell, who didn't wrestle in high school, gave his best Hulk Hogan imitation as he body-slammmed a Gator-baiter in the midst of the meleé.

"I was trying to break it up when this Gator showed me from behind," said Bell. "I guess I shouldn't have done what I did."

But, the boys in pinstripes didn't catch Bell's Gator-gig. And in the open field at that.

But, then, UK fans would say the officials are only at their best when it comes to clutch situations.



VIEWPOINT

Letters To The Editor

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Agrees with Earl

Dear Sir:

The growing list of allegations made against UK's basketball program by the NCAA should cause everyone associated with collegiate athletics in this nation to look seriously at the path they want to see taken in the future. The same holds true for the administrators of NCAA member institutions. Earl Cox (*The Cats' Pause*, Oct. 22) was correct in asking of UK president (David) Roselle: "What type of program does he want?" But the same question needs to be levied at every college or university president in the country, individually and collectively.

Admittedly, college presidents have a lot more to be concerned with besides their athletic programs just as the President of the United States has a lot more to be concerned with than any single issue facing the nation each day. That only means the building of a team of subordinate administrators and managers whose purpose is not only to know what is going on in their respective departments but who have the courage to report it and deal with it openly and honestly.

Earl Cox raises the question of squeaky-clean athletic programs and is that what UK wants. He cites Jerry Claiborne and UK football. If what Jerry's football 'Cats did on national TV against Georgia on Oct. 22 is any example, I'll say yes, it can be done and done with honor!

There is nothing wrong with being squeaky clean when everyone is playing by the same rules. Getting them to play by the same rules

is up to college presidents, their subordinates in the athletic departments, their appointed representatives with the NCAA and the NCAA hierarchy. Victories bought with cheating, payoffs and all the other things referred to in the NCAA's recently announced allegations against the UK basketball program are devoid of honor in every sense of the word.

Earl Cox cites the diminishing crowds at Commonwealth Stadium presumably inferring that it's the result of a squeaky-clean program. I would wager, Earl, that if *everyone* were playing by squeaky-clean rules, the crowds would return.

As for basketball, it seems ironic that not too long ago *Sports Illustrated* was lauding UK for the cleanliness of UK's program. Now it would appear it hasn't been so clean after all and only the NCAA will determine its future. If the allegations prove true, Rupp Arena could be empty for a long time to come. True or not, if it forces college administrators to bring about squeaky-clean programs, then maybe a degree of sanity will return to collegiate athletics.

Sincerely,

Roger F. Field, B.S.C.E. UK '51
Stuart, Fla.

Gator bait

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my check for *The Cats' Pause*

renewal. I certainly hope everything comes out right with the 'Cats. I always enjoy the Kentucky basketball season and these Gator fans are getting a little unbearable now that they think they have the 'Cats on the ropes.

Sincerely,

Thomas B. Reed
Casselberry, Fla.

'Cats will survive

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a check for subscription renewal. Sorry about all the problems the UK basketball program has been involved in the last few months. It sure makes it hard on us Big Blue fans up here in Big Ten country, especially will all of these Indiana fans around here. But I'm sure UK basketball is strong enough to get through these problems and still come out of this a winner.

Let's go Big Blue.

Don Denny
Defiance, Ohio

Blue in K-town

Dear Sir:

Enclosed check for renewal to *The Cats' Pause*. I receive this subscription each year as a gift from my wife. She was raised in Lex-

ington and I am from Williamsburg. We are both true blue, although we are now living in Knoxville, Tenn.

Sorry about the Kentucky basketball program being in NCAA trouble. Hope for them the best results possible.

Thanks again,

Jack O. Whitehead
Knoxville, Tenn.

Bring WHAS back

Dear Sir:

It is the hope of Wildcat fans in central Florida that WHAS will once again carry UK games. Usually their broadcast can be heard but *seldom* are we able to hear the games on WLW in Cincinnati. In the meantime, we will follow the Wildcats by reading *The Cats' Pause*.

The NCAA will find some reason to place UK on probation unless by some miracle UK is able to prove that the \$1,000 found in the package mailed by coach (Dwane) Casey was a setup. If UK loses players such as (Chris) Mills and (Eric) Manuel as a result of the investigation, then the recovery from a probationary period will be painfully slow.

Sincerely,

Steve Leach
Kissimmee, Fla.

Initial meeting with Casey always in back of my mind

Vince Dooley: Look for college 'Super Bowl'

Despite the NCAA allegations involving Kentucky assistant coach Dwane Casey, I still have admiration for the man who has been in the news constantly.

When he was playing guard at UK back in the late



Jamie Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist

1970s, Casey was very cordial and cooperative. I didn't know of anyone who disliked him.

And I always will respect him because of one small incident. I'll never forget that.

It all started during my first year at UK when I was working for the school's daily newspaper, *The Kentucky Kernel*, as a young, insignificant reporter. At that time, I wasn't known by many in the UK sports camp. It was before I became sports editor for the *Kernel* and later, a sports columnist for this magazine.

I had scheduled an interview with Casey to take place on a Saturday afternoon after a UK football home game. We were to meet at Holmes Hall (a dormitory where basketball players formerly stayed before Wildcat Lodge was constructed).

But Casey didn't show up for the interview and I wasn't too happy. I thought, "Oh, well, he didn't care."

I went back to my dorm room. About an hour later, the telephone rang. My roommate answered the phone as I have a very severe hearing problem, and he relayed the message.

It was Casey on the other end, saying he was terribly sorry and apologizing for missing the appointment. He explained that he had car trouble.

I accepted his apology.

However, the most impressive characteristic about Casey was that he had to make an effort to call me. He didn't know where I lived and didn't have my number. He had to find it himself.

That was very nice. It showed that he was reliable and trustworthy.

However, the most impressive characteristic about Casey was that he had to make an effort to call me. He didn't know where I lived and didn't have my number. He had to find it for himself.

Let me ask you a question. How many basketball players would make an effort to locate or call an "unimportant" reporter who was just starting out for the school newspaper?

Not many. (Former UK star Mike Phillips didn't, missing two appointments).

That is a very good example of what has made the 31-year-old Casey the man he is.

So, I have always admired Casey. Although I never did a long interview with him, we've had many chats since then. He always had the time to talk, whether he was at the library, my dorm or at practice.

We became mutual acquaintances, but we were never close.

I know that I'm not the only one who likes the personable Casey. Many people, including the news media, think a lot of him.

Casey's boss, Eddie Sutton, even said that he couldn't find anyone to say anything bad about Casey during the screening process before Casey was hired to replace Leonard Hamilton, who moved on to become the head



Casey made the effort

coach at Oklahoma State.

Well, as you can tell, I don't really have anything bad to say about Casey, either, despite his missing that interview on campus and the NCAA charges.

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WITH THE POSTSEASON BOWL talk now rampant, did the Southeastern Conference schedule itself out of several million dollars when it raised the number of conference games each SEC football team must play from six to seven?

Veteran sportswriter Ben Byrd of *The Knoxville Journal* seems to think so.

The new seven-game SEC slate was approved because conference members felt that it would provide a truer champion. Also, many felt that the extra game would enhance the attendance figures at most of the 10 schools. However, the new schedule was not adopted without some opposition.

The opponents feared that the extra conference matchup could reduce some won-lost records from say, 8-3 to 7-4, and thus reduce the number of SEC teams receiving bowl bids. (And even the smaller bowls today boast playoffs that go well into seven figures).

Byrd believes that the league has a much slimmer chance now of producing a national championship team than it had with the old six-game schedule. Also, he feels the number of bowl representatives will probably drop.

The seven-game format is set to run through the year 2003. But Byrd predicts the conference will look for a reappraisal, if bowl revenue takes a nosedive that lasts for two or three seasons.

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STILL SPEAKING of postseason competition, Georgia athletics director and football coach Vince Dooley is a longtime advocate of the college version of the NFL's Super Bowl.

Dooley believes it will come to pass. "I do think we will eventually see a one-game, two-team college super bowl played after the bowl games even though it was voted down this past year," he said. "The public and the media would like to see such a game and the revenue that would be generated would certainly go to solving some of the financial problems we are facing in inter-collegiate athletics. And it would provide great exposure for college football."

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WHILE GLANCING though Alabama's media foot-



Curry inspired by the success stories

bowl guide, I can't help but notice what the Crimson Tide mentor Bill Curry had to say about people he admires.

"As a kid I was a short, fat youngster who was ridiculed by other kids," Curry said. "I started reading biographies of successful people. My fourth grade teacher had a whole shelf of them in the back of the room. I sat in the back of the room and instead of listening to her I read about Franklin Roosevelt, Babe Ruth, George Washington Carver, Winston Churchill.

"I just lived with those people. I read every single biography. I became obsessed with successful people. People like Helen Keller as well, people who did great things. They all had taken control of their lives. They had striven for perfectly disciplined will. I think it is true of successful people. Lombardi did it with his Green Bay teams.

"Demand perfection, demand perfection, demand perfection until you become the best you can be. I admire successful people, because they continue to demand more of themselves and their determination separates them from the average person. They inspire me."

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DIS 'N' DATA: Who says that coaches don't read newspapers or magazines? In the Nov. 1 issue of *Football News*, both LSU coach **Mike Archer** and Tennessee coach **Johnny Majors** wrote a "letter to the editor," expressing thanks for support in earlier articles which appeared in the magazine.

□ Former UK football coach **Fran Curci** is still keeping himself busy on the weekends. He is a color commentator for the Mutual Broadcasting System radio network. As you know, Curci is currently the athletics director at the University of Tampa.

□ According to a 1988 roster of SEC football officials or referees, three are living in Kentucky. The three Kentuckians are **Ben Oldham**, of Lexington; **Pete Owens**, also of Lexington; and **Aster Sizemore**, of Hazard.

□ Vanderbilt freshman kickoff man **Jeff Owen** is the younger brother of Ole Miss placekicker **Bryan Owen**. Their father, **Sam Owen**, lettered at Ole Miss from 1959-62. The Owen family lives in Nashville, Tenn.

□ Good news for Wildcat football faithful. This writer has seen hapless Tennessee play twice in Knoxville against LSU and Alabama, and when the 'Cats visit Tennessee this weekend, it should be no problem if Kentucky plays good solid football. Tennessee's youthful defense has so many holes that the Wildcats should chalk up at least 30 points.

Back Thru The Wildcat Years

Five Years Ago

Kentucky put up a strong defensive battle for three periods, trailing powerful Florida only 10-0, but the Gators prevailed to pull out a convincing 24-7 win with two last-period touchdowns. The loss damaged the 'Cats' hopes of capturing their second straight game and to go along with a possible postseason bid.

✓Kentucky basketball coach Joe B. Hall put the finishing touches on the Wildcats' early signing date by inking 6-foot-11 prep All-American Robert Lock of Reedley, Calif. Also signing with the 'Cats during the early signing period were prep All-Americans Richard Madison and Ed Davender along with Cedric Jenkins and Todd Ziegler.

✓The basketball Wildcats was selected as the preseason choice by the Southeastern Conference sportswriters to win the SEC

title and most national publications were picking Kentucky among the top three choices for the national championship with the return of Sam Bowie.

Nine Years Ago

✓Despite Kentucky's 82-76 overtime loss to Duke in the initial Hall of Fame Basketball Classic, there was a reason of optimism for the Big Blue faithful. Going against All-American center Mike Gminski in his first collegiate game, center Sam Bowie scored 22 points and grabbed 17 rebounds to lead the Wildcats.

Duke jumped out to an early lead and held a seven-point upperhand at intermission. UK then surged ahead and led by two with 15 seconds to go. However, Duke tied the game and went on to outscore its opponent 10-4 in the extra period.

Senior guard Kyle Macy had 14 points for UK, Fred Cowan 13 and LaVon Williams added 11. Gminski had 21 points for Duke and Gene Banks 17.

✓Lexingtonian Vince Taylor was Duke's defensive spark as he more than lent a helping hand to UK's confusion. Overall, the 'Cats committed 28 turnovers, compared to 17 by the winners.

✓The University of Kentucky recruiting staff is at it again. After inking the nation's best crop of prep stars last year, Joe Hall and his staff got an early jump on this season with the announcement that 6-foot-9 prep star Bret 'Bear' Bearup will be a Wildcat.

The New York high school All-American attended the UK-Duke game last weekend and apparently liked what he saw. Considered one of the premier power forwards in the nation, the Harborfields High product also visited Duke, North Carolina, Ohio State and North Carolina State.

✓Playing what head coach Fran Curci called "our most complete game of the year" the Kentucky football team evened its record at 5-5 with a 31-10 win over Florida in Gainesville.

Juan Portela, a Florida high school product, led the 'Cats by hitting five of six passes for 146 yards and two scores. Portela hooked up with Felix "The Cat" Wilson for touchdown bombs of 62 and 43 yards.

Florida scored the initial points of the contest on a field goal, but Kentucky came back to take a 17-3 lead into the intermission break. UK added two more scores in the second half on eight- and one-yard runs by Chris Jones.

✓A Hall of Fame Bowl bid will be on the line this Saturday for the Kentucky Wildcats as they entertain the Tennessee Vols, Hall of Fame officials have said if UK could beat the Volunteers, thus running its record to 6-5, the 'Cats will get a bid to play opposite South Carolina in the Dec. 21 postseason contest in Birmingham, Ala.

Thirteen Years Ago

✓Kentucky failed to place a player on the 10-man All-Southeastern Conference basketball preseason team picked by the league coaches during the annual media day functions in Birmingham. Alabama center Leon Douglas was the only unanimous pick of the SEC coaches.

✓The Tennessee Volunteers had to hold on for dear life as they defeated a gutsy Kentucky team 17-13 in Commonwealth Stadium. The game ended UK's season at 2-8-1.

Tennessee jumped out to a 17-0 lead before UK rallied behind quarterback Derrick Ramsey, who just two weeks ago occupied the tight end spot. Ramsey finished the day with 121 yards rushing.

Running back Sonny Collins gained 53 yards, making him the seventh most productive runner in collegiate history. He ended his college career with 13 carries on the day, which enabled him to break the SEC record with 248 rushing attempts in one campaign.

For the first time since 1970 the Wildcats failed to win a league contest.

✓The University of Kentucky basketball team held on to defeat Yugoslavia 75-74 in an exhibition game. Meanwhile, UK coach Joe B. Hall wasn't very happy with his team after the game, predicting the 'Cats' complacency would cost them in the near future.

Sophomore Rick Robey led the Wildcats with 23 points while Jack Givens and James Lee scored 13 and 11 points, respectively.

Eighteen Years Ago

✓To no one's surprise, UK has been picked as the favorite to win the SEC basketball

title. UK was given the preseason nod despite losing half of its scoring and rebounding punch with the graduation of Dan Isell and Mike Pratt.

✓Kentucky had four passes intercepted and lost one fumble as host Tennessee routed the Wildcats 45-0 in the season finale for the Big Blue. The host Volunteers held a 14-0 advantage at the half but then continued to roll up the points against UK's once-highly touted defense.

Kentucky finished the season with a dismal 2-9 record.

✓Wildcat tackle Dave Roller was the only UK player to be named to the *United Press International* All-Southeastern Conference team. Dazzling quarterbacks Pat Sullivan of Auburn and Archie Manning of the Ole Miss Rebels were named the co-signal callers of the year in the SEC.

✓An overflowing crowd of 13,000 filled Memorial Coliseum to watch the Blues defeat the Whites 97-91. Coach Adolph Rupp was pleased with his center position as sophomore seven-footer Tom Payne outplayed expected starter Mark Soderberg. Payne scored 14 points and grabbed 12 rebounds while putting a blanket over Soderberg's offensive moves. Soderberg was held to only one field goal (one of 16) and had several shots rejected by Payne.

Tom Parker was the game's leading scorer with 26 points while Larry Steele was next with 22.

Thirty-Three Years Ago

✓The 32,000 chilled fans who braved the cold temperatures to see the 51st game in this ancient rivalry were shocked as Kentucky, sticking to the ground for all but three plays, upset arch-rival Tennessee 23-0 at Lexington's Stoll Field.

It was a fitting climax to the career of 12 Kentucky seniors, none of whom ever experienced defeat to Tennessee. It was an exceptional day for the Wildcats, who scored in every quarter.

In the first stanza, Lou Michaels booted a 29-yard field goal. In the second period, quarterback Bob Hardy culminated a 79-yard march with a three-yard scamper. In the third quarter, Hardy hit Howard Schnellenberger for a 26-yard score. And in the fourth quarter, Billy Mitchell took a pitch from Hardy and rambled nine yards over the goal line for the score.

✓UK placekicker and tackle Lou Michaels and teammate guard Archie Powers were selected to the All-SEC sophomore team.

✓Twelve seniors received watches as the Kentucky football program held its annual gridiron banquet at the Student Center Building. Tackle Bill Wheeler received the Sam Huey Scholarship Award. The seniors are Bob Hardy, Howard Schnellenberger, Bradley Mills, Wheeler, Ken Lutz, Ray Callahan, O.E. Philpot, Leo Strange, Bob Phillips, Dick Maloney, Locky Brown, Hayden Hooper and manager Bobby Holt. Governor-elect A.B. "Happy" Chandler was the program's guest speaker.

✓Bob Hardy's season is over, but the Kentucky Wildcat quarterback ranks 18th nationally in total offense with 841 yards and 11th in the country in forward passing with 58 completions in 106 attempts for a 54.7 percentage.

The only passers with a better percentage are Navy's George Walsh, John Brodie of Stanford, Len Dawson of Purdue and Bart Starr of Alabama.

Kentucky's leading rusher on the 1955 season was Bob Dougherty with 401 yards on 94 carries.

WILDCAT QUIZ

Boarder war—Cats-Vols

1. How many times has Jerry Claiborne's Wildcats defeated Tennessee?

- none
- one
- two
- three

2. Tennessee has how many players on its roster from the Bluegrass State?

- none
- two
- three
- five

3. True or False? Tennessee leads the series over the Wildcats.

4. What Tennessee player scored the go-ahead touchdown in the fourth quarter during last year's 24-22 UT victory?

- Reggie Cobb
- Terrence Cleveland
- Jeff Francis
- Phil Stuart

5. True or False? Not a single member on this year's Wildcat squad was in Neyland Stadium (on team) when UK defeated Tennessee 17-12 in 1984.

6. Which starting defensive 'Cat hails from the Volunteer State?

- Ron Mack
- Ron Robinson
- Jay Tesar

d) Vic Adams

7. Who did Johnny Majors take over for when named the UT head coach?

- Jim McDonald
- Ray Mears
- Bill Battle
- Doug Dickey

8. Which former Tennessee player once booted a 78-yard punt against UK in the early 70s?

- Herman Weaver
- Johnny Majors
- Neil Clabo
- Craig Colquitt

9. Which former Tennessee player recorded 15 tackles versus UK in 1976?

- Alvin Toles
- Andy Spiva
- David Page
- Carl Zander

10. Which Tennessee player threw a 72-yard touchdown pass to Johnny Mills during the late 1960s against UK?

- Johnny Majors
- Randy Wallace
- Dewey Warren
- Bobby Scott

Answers

1. One
2. None
3. True
4. Terrence Cleveland
5. True
6. Ron Robinson
7. Bill Battle
8. Neil Clabo
9. Andy Spiva
10. Dewey Warren

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